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**Dallas County District Attorney's Office Investigates,  
Apprehends Another Suspect in Connection to Garland Counterfeit  
Identification Operation**

- WHAT:** Identity theft bust by Dallas County District Attorney's investigators in conjunction with the North Texas Identity Theft Task Force
- WHEN:** Friday, December 21, 2007
- WHERE:** Bazaar on the SW corner of Walnut St. and Jupiter Rd.  
Garland, Texas
- BACKGROUND:** On November 12, 2007, while conducting an investigation into the manufacturing of counterfeit government documents, Dallas County District Attorney's investigators observed a male, Kiros Wolde Selassie, of Rowlett, selling fraudulent identification (ID) cards inside the Garland-based bazaar located at the southwestern corner of Walnut St. and Jupiter Rd.

Surveillance was conducted and it was determined that this person operated a booth at this bazaar on Thursday, Friday and Saturday every week. On December 21, 2007, undercover investigators contacted the suspect at his location in the bazaar and set up a buy of two counterfeit identification cards and Social Security cards.

A warrant was obtained and executed on the location and a counterfeit identification operation was located at the suspect's booth inside the bazaar. During the search, Dallas County District Attorney's investigators found equipment believed to be used to manufacture the counterfeit ID cards on site at the booth.

All suspects are innocent until proven guilty by a court of law.

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