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Police release photofit of bungling robber

KUALA LUMPUR: Police have released the photofit of a man connected with the robbery at a watch outlet in Suria KLCC on Friday.

They also released a video recording of the suspect surveying the area before the theft and that of him trying to make his escape with the loot after the robbery.

The three-minute footage, captured on a web-camera CCTV system in Suria KLCC, shows the suspect in dark blue long-sleeved shirt and light blue jeans going up the escalator to the first floor where the outlet is located and surveying the area.

The suspect who is thin and between 165cm and 168cm tall then comes down to the ground floor where he checks out the location of the exit before going up the escalator again.

Several seconds later the suspect is again seen coolly walking down the escalator while clutching a white plastic bag in his left arm and heading to the exit.

In the 7pm incident, the armed robber shot and wounded a security guard while making his escape after grabbing the watches from the outlet.

He had casually walked into the outlet and told a salesgirl that he wanted to buy a Rolex watch.

City CID chief Senior Asst Comm II Ku Chin Wah said police recovered 31 watches worth more than RM600,000 and a .38 revolver with five bullets near the area as the suspect had dropped the white plastic bag while sprinting to his getaway car when one of the several security guards chasing him kicked him.

?We believe that he had two revolvers and had only dropped the one in the bag, together with the watches,? he said.

SAC Ku also said that initial investigations showed that the suspect had an accomplice waiting outside the building in a red Hyundai Sonata bearing a Singaporean registration number.

?We have the registration number and are checking with our counterparts in Singapore if there is such a number registered there although, in most cases,



The photofit of a man wanted in connection with the robbery at a watch outlet in Suria KLCC on Friday. This photofit was released based on the footage captured on a web-camera CCTV system in Suria KLCC.

robbers use false registration numbers on their getaway vehicles,? he said. SAC Ku said although in stable condition, the security guard who was shot in the abdomen by the robber was still in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

He added that those with information on the suspect or the robbery could SMS him at 012-8362224, or contact the investigating officer Asst Supt Anandan at 03-20766299 or 019-3227766 or the Dang Wangi district police headquarters at 03-20702222.

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