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**NEWS RELEASE**

## **Vehicles Stolen Were Left Running**

Date: Thursday, December 13, 2018 – Thursday, January 10, 2019  
Location: Northeast Area

**EL PASO, Texas** – The Auto Theft Task Force has identified that six (6) vehicles stolen in the Northeast area of El Paso “between” December 13, 2018 – January 10, 2019, were all left running and unattended. The Auto Theft Task Force reminds the public that vehicles left running while unattended make an easy target for thieves. Leaving a vehicle running with the keys in the ignition is a tempting and easy target for thieves, but is also illegal. Individuals may be issued a citation for doing so. The El Paso Police Department and the Auto Theft Task Force urge vehicle owners to lock their cars, take the keys, park in well-lighted areas, keep valuables out of sight, and never leave an extra key or transponder in your vehicle.

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