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On January 8, 2016 a Bates County Sheriff's Office Deputy took a report of a burglary that had occurred at a residence on State Route E in Adrian, MO. When the homeowners had returned to their residence that day they noticed that their garage door was open and the front door of the residence had been kicked in. Deputies conducted a search of the residence, but the suspect(s) had already left the residence. During the search of the house Deputies observed that the bedrooms had been ransacked. Detectives were dispatched to the scene. The Detectives collected DNA samples as well as attempted to collect fingerprints. The victim's safe had been broken into and their birth certificates and passports were missing. Several firearms were also stolen that includes a Browning .22 rifle (Serial #655NR23167), a Bersa .380 (Serial #957770) and a H&R revolver pistol that was an Abilene Kansas Centennial Addition.

The suspects may be attempting to sell these stolen firearms to get some quick cash. If someone you know approaches you to buy these guns from them, please do the right thing and contact a Detective at the Bates County Sheriff's Office immediately. Your tip can remain anonymous.