During the last seven days, the Metropolitan Police Department has reported three armed robberies involving the use of a knife in the Tenley town area. The synopsis of each event as described in the District of Columbia AlertDC system is listed below. The Department of Public Safety has not received any reports of university affiliates being involved in these incidents.

Event #1 – 04/19/2016 in the Evening: Robbery Knife at Fort Drive & Chesapeake Street NW

Suspect #1: Black/Male, 16 years of age. Last seen wearing a black hoodie. Has a birthmark under eye. Suspects #2 and 3: Black/Females, 16 years of age. Last seen with a blue backpack.

Event #2 – 04/19/2016 in the Evening: Robbery Knife at Brandywine & River Rd NW

Suspect #1: Black/Female, 14-15 years of age, 4'10", 90 lbs., slr orange braids.

Suspect #2: Black/Female. Suspect #3: Black/Male, 5'4".

Event #3 - 04/25/2016 at 9:19 AM: Robbery Knife, 0919 hours in the 4400 Belt Road NW.

Suspect #1: Hispanic or Asian/Male, light skin complexion, 5'11" - 6', 180 lbs. Last seen wearing all black and black hat.

If you have information related to this incident, or witness suspicious activity, please call the Department of Public Safety at **202-885-3636** or **911** for the Metropolitan Police Department.

Make a Confidential Tip through the Department of Public Safety Webpage at:

http://www.american.edu/finance/publicsafety/tips.cfm

Safety Tips

- Walk in groups whenever possible and look out for each other.
- Avoid isolated and dark areas especially at night.
- Avoid displaying valuable property in public (i.e. cell phones, MP3 players, cash, your cell phone and keep it accessible.
- If you are approached, take note of the person's appearance, clothing, and anything unusual that will help identify the suspect.
- Be aware of the emergency telephones (yellow boxes on pillars, blue light emergency phone towers, and red telephones) located on campus, in building lobbies, elevators, and in parking lots.
- For off-campus assistance in the event of a crime or emergency, contact 911. For on campus crimes and emergencies, contact (202) 885-3636.
- The Department of Public Safety provides escorts, twenty-four hours a day/seven days a week, for community members to and front university-owned property. To arrange an escort, call (202) 885-2527 or use a blue light or red emergency phone.