The Art Theft Detail is investigating complaints of three suspects selling fake Korean art to unsuspecting victims. The victims include businessmen from Korea, a 76-year old woman living in the Wilshire area, and an oriental art dealer. Major auction houses and museums have also been approached. The losses total approximately $200,000. The suspects insisted on cash or travelers checks for payment.

Most of the victims went to a business called Lee's Antique Furniture located at 467 N. Western Ave. in Los Angeles where the owner, Dong Myung Lee, acted as a middleman, introducing the victims to Eun Sook Sung, a 42-year old woman (AKA: Linda Lee, Eun Sook Lee and Eun Sook Jeon). Sung posed as the owner of the art, giving a fictitious story about how it came from Korea and had been in her family for many years. However, the "art" was actually provided by Sung's boyfriend, Young Koo Chung, 46, who paid sales commissions to Lee and Sung. The art was later submitted for authentication by the victims and found to be fake. The art included ceramics and paintings by Chang Ucchin, Whanki Kim, Hain Joo, W.K. Choi, and other Korean artists. The investigation is continuing.
ADDITIONAL STOLEN ART

MALEY, Alan
Park in Paris #199A
oil on canvas
30" x 40"
signed lower right

MALEY, Alan
Orient Express
oil on canvas
35" x 44"
signed lower right

ANDERSON, Ralph
Barnum & Bailey
oil on canvas
11" x 15"
signed lower center (on poster)
ADDITIONAL STOLEN ART

ANDERSON, Ralph
*Pinocchio*
oil on canvas
11" x 15"
signed lower center (on notepad)

ANDERSON, Ralph
*Humpty Dumpty*
oil on canvas
11" x 15"
signed center left (on wall)

ANDERSON, Ralph
*Banjo and Hat*
oil on canvas
11" x 15"
signed lower right (on note)
ADDITIONAL STOLEN ART

HOUDON, Jean Antoine
George Washington
bronze sculpture
18 1/4" tall
signed "Houdon F. 1778"

WHYTE, Raymond
Geisha Girl
oil on canvas
30" x 18"