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SUSPECT ARRESTED IN 1994 MURDER CASE

Investigators from the San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit and the San Diego County District Attorney's Cold Case Team announce the arrest of a suspect in a 1994 murder that occurred in North Park.

On March 27, 1994, Robert Stewart was assaulted while visiting a female acquaintance at her apartment located in the 4400 block of Boundary Street. He was reported missing several days later. On June 24, 1994, his body was discovered near the Chollas landfill. Homicide Unit detectives conducted an exhaustive investigation at the time, but the case went unsolved for more than 13 years.

In 2005, Cold Case Team investigators from the San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit, the Naval Criminal Intelligence Service (NCIS) and the District Attorney's Office reviewed the case. New information was developed which led to the identification of a suspect.

On October 18, 2007, investigators from the District Attorney's Office went to Sacramento and arrested Douglas Hughes (35). Hughes has waived extradition and will face murder charges in San Diego.

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