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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN GASLAMP

(San Diego) San Diego Police Homicide Unit detectives are investigating a shooting incident that left one woman dead and two males injured, early this morning in the Gaslamp area.

Today at about 2:00 a.m., patrol officers were flagged down regarding a shooting that occurred at the corner of 5th Avenue and E Street. When they arrived, they found three people suffering from apparent gunshot wounds. Responding paramedics provided emergency medical aid, immediately transporting all three victims to local trauma centers for treatment. A 21-year-old female was pronounced dead at the hospital at 2:30 a.m., as a result of injuries sustained during the shooting. Her identification is being withheld pending notification of family members. Two adult males were also struck by gunfire. The 26-year-old and 34-year-old victims are being treated for their injuries. Both are reported as being in stable condition after surgery.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that several people were involved in a large fight on the corner of 5th and E Street. During the altercation, the suspect produced a handgun and began firing into the crowd. The suspect is described as a black male, 21 years old, medium complexion, 6'1" tall with a thin build. His hair is described as being ½ inch in length. The suspect was wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and dark colored jeans.

The motivation for the attack is not known at this time. Anyone with information is encouraged to telephone the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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