



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

San Diego Police Department

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Time: 0430 Hours

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Homicide Unit

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POLICE INVESTIGATE HOMICIDE IN PALM CITY

On Friday, May 27, 2016 at approximately 8:55 p.m., San Diego Police received a call of shots fired at the E-Z-8 Motel at 1010 Outer Road in Palm City.

Officers responded and learned there had been a shooting in one of the hotel rooms where they located a 22-year-old male with several life-threatening gunshot wounds to his upper body. The injured male was transported to a local hospital where he died shortly before 0100 a.m. on Saturday, May 28, 2016.

Detectives learned there were several people in the room where the gunshots were fired when a disagreement took place between two males believed to have been acquaintances. One of the males in the dispute produced a handgun and shot the victim several times. When officers arrived, they located the shooting suspect and took him into custody. The suspect has been identified as 23-year-old Luis Avila of San Diego. Avila has been arrested and will be booked into the San Diego County Jail on one count of murder.

The victim's identity is known, but will not be released until family notification has been made.

Anyone with information related to this incident is encouraged to call the San Diego Police Department's Homicide Unit at 619-531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at 888-580-8477.

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