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Suspect Arrested for Attempt Murder of San Diego Police Officer in Mira Mesa

San Diego – On Thursday, July 8, 2021, at 10:09 a.m., a San Diego Police Motorcycle Officer was injured during a traffic stop in a Mira Mesa neighborhood. The officer initiated a traffic stop on a black Chrysler sedan at Black Mountain Road and Westview Parkway. The sedan initially yielded but quickly sped away from the officer. The sedan attempted to evade the officer who pursued it. The sedan stopped in a traffic lane, shifted into reverse gear and accelerated back into the police motorcycle that was directly behind it. The sedan struck the motorcycle, knocked the officer over and continued to push the motorcycle backwards in the roadway with the officer pinned under it. The sedan then fled the area northbound on Black Mountain Road.

The suspect vehicle was described as a black Chrysler sedan with an Arizona license plate. During the course of the investigation, the driver was identified as Moises Correa. A female passenger was in the sedan when it struck the officer.

The Homicide Unit was called to the scene to investigate the attempt murder of the officer.

Yesterday, at about 6:00 p.m., officers developed information that Correa was in the Mira Mesa area. The San Diego Police Air Support unit located Correa and a female companion, believed to be the same female present during the attempt on the officer's life, in the backyard of a residence at 9100 Dewsbury Avenue. The pair got into the house and officers immediately surrounded it. The occupants of the house came out and the SWAT team responded to the scene. After a stand-off that lasted several hours, Correa and the female were not initially located. During a secondary sweep of the residence, Correa and the female were located in the rafters of the garage, but still refused to come out. Chemical agents were introduced into the garage and Correa and the female surrendered without further incident. They were taken to Police Headquarters for questioning about the attempt murder of the officer.

The name of the officer involved in this incident is not being released at this time, but he has been assigned to the Traffic Division Motorcycle Unit for over 5 years and has been with the Department for over 13 years. The officer was treated at a local hospital for minor injuries and later released.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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