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**San Diego Police Arrest Suspect in Azalea/Hollywood Park Neighborhood
Homicide**

San Diego—On Monday, September 25, 2017 at 9:23 p.m., the San Diego Police Department Communications Center received a 911 call regarding a person who had been assaulted in the Manzanita Canyon near 4100 Manzanita Drive. The first San Diego Police officers to arrive found 29-year old Sonny Gonzalez bleeding from a stab wound to his neck. Officers administered first aid until the arrival of paramedics. Gonzalez was transported to Mercy Hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

During the investigation, it was discovered Lizarraga had stabbed a second victim during the assault. This victim was transported to the hospital and survived their injury. This victim's identity will not be released.

Homicide Detectives were able to identify the suspect as 24-year old Alberto Lizarraga of San Diego. On September 28, 2017, Lizarraga was located and arrested while walking on 8100 Knollwood Road in San Diego. Lizarraga was booked into San Diego County Jail for murder and attempted murder.

A Superior Court arraignment is anticipated for Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. in Department 12.

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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