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### **Update on Double Homicide in East Village High Rise Apartment Building**

**San Diego** – On Thursday, October 21, 2021, at 3:11 p.m., the San Diego Police Communications Center received a call reporting a shooting with two people injured inside an apartment at 1475 Island Avenue in the East Village.

Officers from Central Division arrived at the location and found a female and male with apparent gunshot injuries to their upper bodies in the living room of a residence on the 35<sup>th</sup> floor. Officers and San Diego Fire-Rescue personnel assessed their injuries, but both were pronounced deceased at the scene at 3:31 p.m.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene and began investigating the incident. In the preliminary stages of the investigation, detectives learned that the male who reported the shooting was a resident of the apartment where the shooting took place. Although he left the scene, he was located in a vehicle on eastbound SR-94. Officers initiated a traffic stop and the male was contacted without incident at I-805 and I-15. He was detained and questioned about the incident. That male has been identified as Ali Nasser Abulaban, 29. He was later arrested and charged with the murders of his wife and her companion. Abulaban's 5-year-old daughter was with him when he was arrested, however, she was not present at the time of the shooting. She is currently with family.

The female victim has been identified as Ana Abulaban, 28. The male victim has been identified as Rayburn Cardenas Barron, 29, of National City.

The investigation is ongoing at this time, however, there are no outstanding suspects.

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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