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**Victim and Suspect identified in Stabbing Death of Male and Related Suicide in
Downtown San Diego**

San Diego – On Saturday, October 29, 2023, at 11:18 p.m., the San Diego Police Communications Center received a call reporting a male and female arguing in a condo unit at the Grande South complex located at 1199 Pacific Highway in the Core Columbia neighborhood of San Diego. Approximately 10 minutes later, a second call reporting a stabbing in the parking garage of the condo complex was received. Officers from Central Division and paramedics from San Diego Fire-Rescue were dispatched and arrived within minutes. Upon arriving, they found a male suffering from multiple stab wounds to his chest and head. In addition, they found a male security guard also sustained a stab wound to his arm and a female suffering from contusions to her head. Paramedics attempted lifesaving measuring on the male who sustained multiple stab wounds, but despite their best efforts, the male died at the scene. The security guard and female were transported to a local hospital for treatment and both were released a short time later.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene and are currently investigating the incident. It is still early in the investigation but detectives have learned the deceased male victim and female are married and were involved in a domestic violence situation that prompted neighbors to call police. The suspect is known to the victim and the female. During this incident, an argument erupted between the males and female as related to the relationship the suspect had to the victim's wife. During that argument, the victim went to the parking garage to confront the male while the female flagged down a security guard at the complex to intervene. In the parking garage, a fight broke out between the victim and suspect in which the security guard attempted to intervene. During that fight, the suspect stabbed the victim multiple times and the security guard once in the arm. The suspect then fled the scene in a vehicle.

On October 30th, at approximately 8:30 a.m., a citizen called San Diego Police Communications after seeing a vehicle parked partially on the sidewalk with an apparent bullet hole in the rear window parked in the area of Dairy Mart Road and Vista Lane in San Ysidro. Officers responded and located a deceased male in the vehicle with what is believed to be a self-inflicted single gunshot wound to the head. That male was confirmed to be the suspect in the homicide that occurred earlier in the evening. The preliminary investigation indicates the suspect's death is a suicide. There are no outstanding suspects.

Homicide Detectives are currently processing the scene for physical evidence, attempting to locate surveillance video and attempting to locate any witnesses to this incident.

The victim has been identified as James Earnest Miller of San Diego. He is described as a 64-year-old white male. The female is described as a 62-year-old white female. The security guard is described as a 27-year-old Black male. The female and security guard's identities will not be released.

The deceased suspect in this case has been identified as Robert Morris of San Diego. He is described as a 58-year-old white male.

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

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