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Police Investigate Apparent Murder-Suicide After Deceased Male and Female Found in Vehicle.

San Diego – On Tuesday, December 26, 2023, at approximately 12:25 p.m., officers from U.S. Customs and Border Patrol contacted the San Diego Police Department after locating a vehicle that was associated with a missing persons case from San Ysidro. That vehicle was located in the Golden Acorn Casino parking lot at 1800 Golden Acorn Way in Campo, CA. Within that vehicle were a deceased male and a deceased female.

Detectives from the San Diego Police Department's Southern Division and the Homicide Unit responded to that location and are currently investigating the incident. Detectives have been investigating this incident since the male and female were reported missing by family members last week. The initial investigation indicated the male and female were missing under suspicious circumstances. The exact nature of what occurred and why they were missing is still under investigation.

Detectives have learned the deceased male and female were a married couple living separately, and there was likely a domestic violence incident prior to them being reported missing. When the male and female were found by officers, the male was deceased from what is believed to be a self-inflicted single gunshot wound to the head. The preliminary investigation indicates that his death was a suicide. The female's injuries are undetermined at this time and will be confirmed by the San Diego County Medical Examiner's Office. Her death is being investigated as a homicide with her husband as the lone suspect in what appears to be a tragic case of domestic violence.

The suspect and victim in this case have been identified, but their names are being withheld pending additional family notifications. The male suspect is described as a 52-year-old Hispanic male. The female is described as a 45-year-old Filipina female.

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