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Arrest Made and Victim Identified in Homicide in Otay Valley Regional Park

San Diego – On Sunday, January 29, 2023, at 10:48 a.m., the San Diego Police Communications Center received a call regarding a body that had been discovered in the western portion of the Otay Valley Regional Park, south of 200 Rancho Drive in the City of Chula Vista. Upon arriving, officers from Southern Division found an obviously deceased male suffering from trauma to his upper body that indicated he was the victim of a violent crime. San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene and are currently investigating the incident.

It is very early in the investigation and detectives are working to determine the circumstances surrounding the death of the male. Detectives have learned the victim often frequented the area of the park where his body was ultimately found. On January 28, the victim's family reported him missing to the Chula Vista Police Department. On January 29, family members located the victim's body by a trail within the park near a location where the victim resided with his family. As Detectives investigated this case, they determined the victim had been stabbed to death after a brief argument with the suspect. That suspect was arrested by the Chula Vista Police Department on January 28 for an unrelated vandalism charge in the 200 block of Rancho Drive in Chula Vista.

The deceased male has been identified as Jose Gonzalez of Chula Vista. He is described as a 49-year-old Hispanic male.

The suspect has been identified as Milton Daniel Tax Zuzun of Mexico. He is described as an 18-year-old Hispanic male. On January 30, at approximately 1:30 a.m., Detectives booked Zuzun for one count of Murder as he was already in custody at San Diego County Jail on unrelated charges. 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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