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Arrest Made in 2011 Homicide

San Diego – Julio Mendez, 35, has been arrested for the 2011 murder of Sonny Carrillo.

On July 29, 2011, at 11:22 p.m., San Diego Police officers responded to 232 47th Street, San Diego, to investigate the report of an assault in the parking lot of the apartment complex. Officers arrived and located the victim, later identified as Sonny Carrillo, with a stab wound to his chest. Paramedics treated him at the scene and transported him to the hospital where he ultimately succumbed to his injury.

Homicide investigators conducted a thorough investigation that led them to identify the suspect as Julio Mendez. A warrant for Mendez's arrest was obtained in August 2011.

The US Marshalls located Mendez in Mexico, and he was extradited back to San Diego and booked into county jail on June 3, 2025.

The Homicide Unit would like to thank the San Diego Police Criminal Intelligence Unit, the US Marshalls Service, and the San Diego County District Attorney's Office for all their assistance in ultimately extraditing Mendez back from Mexico.

Mendez's arraignment is scheduled for June 6, 2025, at 8:00 a.m.

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

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