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## San Diego Police Department

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### **SUSPECT ARRESTED IN 2006 MURDER**

(**San Diego**) San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives have arrested a suspect in the 2006 murder of his estranged wife.

On June 11, 2006, 23-year-old Emilia Gomez was found stabbed to death in a residence in the 2200 block of Ulric Street. Gildardo Rodriguez, then 31, fled with Emilia's 19-month-old daughter Alexandra. Alexandra was later found, unharmed, in Puebla, Mexico, where she currently lives.

Detectives obtained an arrest warrant charging Rodriguez with murder.

On May 29, 2009, officers from the St. Louis (Missouri) Police Department stopped Rodriguez after he was found sleeping in a vehicle. Rodriguez was detained for immigration violation and a subsequent records check revealed the outstanding warrant for Rodriguez' arrest.

San Diego Police detectives escorted Rodriguez back to San Diego and booked him into San Diego Central Jail last night.

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