

San Diego County Crime Stoppers

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Suspect Sought in National City Attempt Homicide Case

Up to \$1,000 Reward Offered

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San Diego County Crime Stoppers is joining forces with the National City Police Department to help locate a suspect identified in a National City attempt homicide case.

Investigators said on Monday evening, February 8, 2010, at approximately 8:53 p.m., the victim was visiting friends at an apartment in the 1800 block of East 17th Street in National City. The victim was confronted by 2 to 3 Hispanic males; an argument between the group escalated into a fight which resulted in the victim being stabbed in the neck and torso. The suspects fled the area in a dark colored, full size SUV and a red sedan with large chrome rims. Two suspects were later identified in this case, Ernesto Ceja and John Moreno. Ernesto Ceja has been arrested but John Moreno remains at large.

John Moreno is a Hispanic male, 5'8" tall, about 140 lbs., with black hair and brown eyes. He is a second strike parolee with a history of assault with a deadly weapon, narcotics, and unlawful possession of firearms. A picture of Moreno is attached to page 2 of this release.

Investigators are asking anyone with information on the location of this suspect to call the Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a \$1,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to an arrest. Anonymous email and text messages can be sent in via <u>www.sdcrimestoppers.com</u>.

Media inquiries about this case should be directed to National City Police Lieutenant Boegler at (619) 729-1971. Questions about Crime Stoppers should be directed to Officer Jim Johnson at (619) 531-1500 or Deputy Adriana Uribe at (619) 531-1547.

For information leading to an arrest, you could receive up to a \$1,000 reward and remain anonymous. The qualification of any person(s) for the reward and the amount of the reward for any person(s) so qualifying will be determined by San Diego County Crime Stoppers, Inc, in its sole discretion. The amount of all rewards given shall not exceed \$1,000. Information must be received on the tip line, (888) 580-8477.

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Suspect - John Phillip Moreno