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POLICE MAKE ARREST IN MIRA MESA FATAL ASSAULT CASE

San Diego Police Homicide Unit detectives have arrested a suspect in the February 25, 2012 assault of a man in Mira Mesa.

On February 25, 2012, at 2:00 a.m. police were dispatched to the Seven Eleven store at the corner of Camino Ruiz and Gold Coast Drive, regarding an assault that had just taken place. Officers arrived and discovered a 39 year old male suffering from a head injury. Fire Department Medics responded and transported the man to a local hospital.

Officers conducting the preliminary investigation learned the victim had been involved in an altercation with the suspect after the two of them had arrived at the store by way of a cab. An argument ensued and the suspect punched the victim, causing him to fall and hit his head on the ground.

Based on the severity of the injuries, the Homicide Unit assumed the investigation. This afternoon, at approximately 1:30 p.m., the victim died as a result of his injuries. An autopsy will be conducted to determine the cause of death. The victim's name will not be released until his family is notified.

Homicide detectives have arrested Reynaldo Torres (26) of San Diego for the homicide. Torres was booked into County Jail.

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

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