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Arrest Made in Stabbing Death of Male in San Ysidro

San Diego – On March 8, 2023, at 2:23 a.m., the San Diego Police Communications Center received a call reporting a male that had been stabbed at a gas station located in the 300 block of East San Ysidro Boulevard. Officers from Southern Division were immediately dispatched and arrived within minutes. Upon arriving, they found a male suffering from at least one stab wound to his upper body. Officers performed life saving measures until paramedics from San Diego Fire-Rescue arrived and transported the male to a local hospital. Unfortunately, despite the best efforts of officers and medics, the victim was pronounced deceased at a local hospital at 3:05 a.m.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene. During the course of their preliminary investigation, they have learned the victim was stabbed at a nearby vacant building located in the 100 block of Center Street before he walked over to the gas station parking lot where he was found by concerned citizens. Detectives have learned the victim was with a group of people at the vacant building when he was apparently stabbed by the suspect without provocation. Detectives were able to identify the suspect as Hector Alcantara of San Diego. Detectives also learned Alcantara likely entered Mexico shortly after stabbing the victim.

On March 8, 2023, at approximately 1:30 p.m., Homicide Detectives were notified by officials from U.S. Customs and Border Protection that Alcantara had been detained at the San Ysidro Point of Entry pedestrian gate located at 720 E. San Ysidro Boulevard. San Diego Police Officers responded to that location and arrested him per this case. Alcantara was booked into San Diego County Jail for one count of murder. Alcantara is described as a 32-year-old Hispanic male. The deceased male has not been identified, but is believed to be a Hispanic male in his late 20s to late 30's.

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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