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POLICE MEDIA ADVISORY

Date: 12/17/2020
To: San Diego Media
From: Chula Vista Police Department
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Subject: Wells Fargo Bank Burglary with suspect in custody – Case #2015073

Message: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On Thursday, December 17, 2020, at 02:09 am, Chula Vista Police Officers responded to a burglary alarm at the Wells Fargo Bank at 1232 Broadway. Bank Security Cameras showed a male inside the bank going through the drawers behind the counters. When Officers arrived, they saw the subject inside and that the front window of the bank was shattered with a large amount of broken glass on the ground around the window.

The Officers continued to watch the subject until they could safely contact him. Officers were able to talk to him and he was arrested peacefully with no injuries to anyone involved. He was later identified as Rene Torres (25 years old) of San Diego.

The initial investigation showed Torres pried open most of the cash drawers but was unable to access the vault or currency storage areas. He did cause a lot of damage to the interior of the building.

Torres was found with a small amount of currency and the total amount is being verified. Torres was arrested and booked at the Chula Vista Police Department, but due to San Diego County COVID-19 booking restrictions, he was released with notice of a future court date on the charge of 459 PC Burglary.

The Chula Vista Police Department is actively trying to locate anyone with information about this incident. CVPD asks anyone with information to contact the Police Department at (619) 585-5732 or San Diego Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888)580-8477.

We are actively investigating this incident. Further updates will be released when information becomes available. Media are instructed to direct all inquiries to PIO Lt. Miriam Foxx @ 619-585-5670.

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