

## CHULA VISTA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## POLICE MEDIA ADVISORY

Date: 12/01/2021

To: San Diego Media

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Subject: (UPDATE) Homicide- 900 block of Agua Tibia in Chula Vista

Message: (FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE)

On Friday, November 26, 2021, at approximately 1:36 P.M., the Chula Vista Police Department received a 911 call reference a shooting inside a residence located on the 900 block of Agua Tibia Avenue in Chula Vista.

When officers arrived at the scene, they located a male victim who was suffering from a gunshot wound. The victim was identified as Alberto Marquez (54 years-old). The suspect fled from the residence in a dark colored sedan.

Officers and paramedics then attempted life saving measures on Marquez. He was transported to a local area hospital and despite life saving measures, Marquez was later pronounced deceased.

CVPD Detectives and Crime Lab were called to the scene to continue the investigation. Investigators learned that there were several subjects in the residence, including Marquez, when a verbal argument ensued. During the argument gunshots were heard.

The suspect in the case waas later identified as 48-year old Chula Vista resident Martin Morales. Detectives later learned Morales had fled the area after the shooting. It is also believed both Marquez and Morales knew each other prior to the shooting.

On 12/01/21, with the assistance of US Customs and Border Protection officers, Morales was detained at the Otay Mesa Port of Entry when trying to enter back into the United States. Morales was then placed under arrest for homicide and later booked into San Diego Central Jail for murder.

Anyone who may have information is asked to please contact the San Diego County Crime Stoppers 888-580-8477. The case remains under active investigation. Additional information will be shared when it becomes available.

Media are asked to direct all inquiries to Lt. Dan Peak at (619) 585-5670.

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