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*****NEWS RELEASE*****
December 28, 2022

VPD Report Number: 22-105173

Date/Time Occurred: December 8, 2022 11:30 pm

Type of Incident: Homicide, Attempted Homicide,
and Accessory to Homicide

Location: 1415 E. Mineral King Ave.

Name of Business (if applicable):

Green Olive

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

- 1. Maria Bautista
- 2. Mario Bustos

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Yes
Yes

Details: On December 8, 2022, at 11:30 pm, officers were dispatched to the Green Olive bar regarding shots being fired inside the bar. Upon arrival, officers located a male victim who had been shot and was deceased. It was learned that the victim was security personnel for the bar and had been shot while breaking up an altercation inside the establishment. A second victim was self-transported to Kaweah Health Medical Center for treatment for a non-life threatening gunshot wound.

The Violent Crimes Unit and Crime Lab were called to the scene to investigate the shooting. The investigation is on-going. Anyone with information is urged to contact Detective Max Navo at (559) 713-4234. Those wishing to remain anonymous can contact the Tip Line at (559) 713-4738.

****UPDATE****

The victim has been identified as David Luna, 41 years of age.



The Violent Crimes Unit is actively working the case and anyone with information is urged to contact Detective Max Navo at (559) 713-4234. Those wishing to remain anonymous can contact the Anonymous Tip Line at (559)713-4738.

****UPDATE****

On December 22, 2022, the Violent Crimes Unit identified the persons of interest in this case, including the shooter, who was identified as Angel Cazares (22 years old). Detectives learned that Suspect Cazares and the other persons of interest were suspected to be in the City of Lodi. Violent Crimes detectives, the Special Enforcement Unit, and Narcotics Unit responded to Suspect Cazares's residence in the City of Lodi with the assistance of the Lodi Police Department.

Through investigation, it was learned that hours after the release of the homicide update that contained photographs of Suspect Cazares and the other persons of interest, Suspect Maria Bautista and Suspect Mario Bustos, assisted Suspect Cazares in fleeing to Mexico. Suspect Bautista and Suspect Bustos were taken into custody for being accessories to homicide. Suspect Bautista and Suspect Bustos were later transported to the Tulare County Pre-Trial Facility where they were booked. All other persons of interest were determined to be witnesses in this case.

This Visalia Police Department would like to thank the community for your help and assistance in the identification of Suspect Cazares and the other persons of interest. If anyone has any information regarding the whereabouts of Suspect Cazares, please contact Detective Daniel McBride at (559) 713-4211. Those wishing to remain anonymous can contact the Tipline at (559) 713-4738.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol/Violent Crimes/SEU/Narcotics Unit

Supervisor: Sgt. A. Alvarez

