TORRANCE

Press Release
Police Department
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On Saturday, May 16, 2020, at approximately 01:22 AM, Torrance Police Officers responded to Ramada Inn located at 2888 Pacific Coast Highway for a report of shots fired. Upon arrival, officers found a 19-year-old male victim of San Pedro with a gunshot wound. Torrance Fire Department treated the victim at the scene and later transported him to a local hospital for further treatment.

Detectives and gang investigators conducted an in-depth investigation and extensive follow-up to identify the involved suspects and ensure the community's safety.

Later that night and within 24-hours, Torrance Police Detectives and SWAT officers arrested Lawrence Bernal, a 35-year-old of San Pedro for attempted murder and Angie Castro, an 18-year-old of San Pedro for accessory to attempted murder, in the City of Fountain Valley.

This act of violence is an isolated incident, and there is no evidence indicating there are additional shooters. A verbal altercation between the victim and the suspects preceded the shooting.



Lawrence Bernal Photo Date 05/17/2020



Angie Castro
Photo Date 05/17/2020

This investigation is being conducted under the command of Torrance Police Captain Mark Underwood of the Special Operations Bureau. Anyone with information regarding this case is encouraged to contact the Torrance Police Department at (310) 328-3456 (DR# 200017389).



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