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Media Advisory

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Subject: Child Molest Arrest

Case Number: 15-018293

Details:

On November 19, 2015, officers responded to a residence in Huntington Beach regarding a call of child molestation. Through investigation and evidence, 37 year old Gualberto Torres-Vargas, was arrested for several sexual assault charges on a female child. After further investigation by detectives, another female victim was discovered and new/additional charges are anticipated. Both children are under 10 years old. The suspect was not related to the children, but did live in close proximity to them. Due to this investigation being ongoing, no photograph is being released and no further information is being released at this time. Torres-Vargas has been charged with the following charges by the Orange County District Attorney's Office:

PC 288.7 (a) Sexual intercourse or sodomy with child 10 years or younger

PC 288(a) Lewd or lascivious act with a minor

PC 288.7 (b) Oral copulation or sexual penetration with a child 10 years or younger