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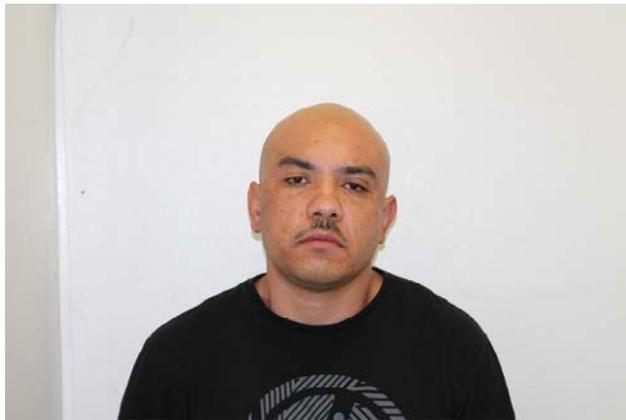
Press Release

DATE OF EVENT: 09/03/2015

TYPE OF EVENT: PC 187(a) Murder

LOCATION: City of Ridgecrest.

SUSPECTS ARRESTED: Ortiz, Pedro



UPDATE: MURDER SUSPECT SURRENDERS

On September 3, 2015, at about 0030 hours, murder suspect, Pedro Ortiz, surrendered himself to the Kern County Sheriff's Department in Bakersfield, CA. Ortiz was booked at CRF on a no bail arrest warrant.

On 08/11/15, at about 0115 hours, officers responded to the report of shots fired and a man down in the 200 block of S. Silver Ridge St. Officers located a male victim with multiple gunshot wounds and discovered that the suspect had fled the scene. The victim was transported to Antelope Valley Hospital; however, he later succumbed to his injuries. The suspect was identified by witnesses as Pedro Ortiz.

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