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Alleged co-defendant in Attempted Capital Murder Apprehended

The San Juan Police Department assisted by the United States Marshal's Gulf Coast Fugitive Task Force, Texas Department of Public Safety and the Hidalgo Police Department apprehended Cristian Jahir Arevalo-Cardoza in Hidalgo, Texas.

The San Juan Police Department received information from Hidalgo Police Department that Cristian Jahir Arevalo-Cardoza was being detained in Hidalgo, Texas. San Juan Police Investigators immediately responded to the Hidalgo Police Department and took custody of Cristian Jahir Arevalo-Cardoza. San Juan Investigators questioned Cristian Jahir Arevalo-Cardoza and placed him under arrest for his involvement in this case.

Cristian Jahir Arevalo-Cardoza was wanted for questioning on a Criminal Attempted Capital Murder and Aggravated Kidnapping case that occurred on January 16th, 2014, incident that took place on Cesar Chavez Road in San Juan, Texas. Officers responded to the area after a male subject (victim) began asking for help from homeowners claiming that he had been shot and was injured. Responding officers found the victim with a single gunshot wound to his leg. The investigation quickly led to the identity of the shooter (Armando Ortiz), and his co-defendants, Victor H. Pena and Cristian Jahir Arevalo-Cardoza and investigators were able to recover two weapons along with evidence to support the arrest warrants. The incident stemmed from a dispute over narcotics and a load of marijuana that was allegedly lost.

Cristian Jahir Arevalo-Cardoza was presented before Judge Rick Perez of the San Juan Police Department where he was issued a \$250,000.00 bond for Criminal Attempt Capital Murder, \$250,000.00 bond for Aggravated Kidnapping and \$10,000.00 bond for Failure to report a Felony, Cristian Jahir Arevalo-Cardoza remains in the custody of the San Juan Police Department and will be later transferred to the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office.

The public is urged to contact the San Juan Police Department if they have any information regarding this case and to contact the San Juan Crime Stoppers program at 956-283-8477.