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CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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HOMICIDE

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a homicide that occurred on October 14, 2012 at approximately 2:25 A.M. The homicide occurred at 623 Northeast 5th Avenue in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Fort Lauderdale Police received a 911 call reporting an unusual noise coming from one of the apartments in this complex. When officers gained access to the apartment they observed two W/M's covered in what appeared to be blood. One male was lying on the floor and the other male was lying on a nearby bed with blood stains throughout his clothing.

The male that was lying on the bed was later identified as Alexander Lemus, W/M, 9/21/82, a native to Guatemala.

The other male was pronounced deceased at the scene. The victim has been identified as Candido Paez, W/M, 02/02/43, a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Homicide Detectives enlisted the assistance of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement to positively identify Lemus. Lemus was later turned over to ICE agents for illegally entering the United States undocumented.

This is still an active and ongoing investigation. Investigators are urging anyone with further information regarding the homicide to contact Detective William DeJesus at 954-828-5366 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.

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