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MOTEL STABBING

UPDATE 01.28.14:

The victim injured in this incident succumbed to his injuries late last night.

Detectives are working alongside with the Broward County State Attorney's Office to update the original charge of Attempted Premeditated Murder to Premeditated Murder.

ORIGINAL 01.22.14:

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a stabbing that occurred on January 21st at approximately 4:00 P.M. The incident took place at the Sky Motel located at 1531 West State Road 84 in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Two males were engaged in a verbal argument over an issue of adultery. The suspect had a reason to believe that his wife was involved in an intimate relationship with the victim, and he suspected that she was inside the victim's hotel room.

When the suspect opened the door to the hotel room, he found his wife inside. A physical altercation between the suspect, who was armed with a knife, and the victim ensued. During the altercation the victim received a single stab wound.

The victim responded by running down the hall, to get away from the suspect. The suspect chased the victim and when he caught up to him, he stabbed him. The victim struggled to his feet and attempted to run a second time, and the suspect caught up to him and stabbed him again.

The suspect retreated to his nearby vehicle and fled from the scene. Witnesses called to report the incident and were able to provide a description of the suspect and his vehicle. Officers responding to the area located the vehicle and took the suspect into custody.

The suspect has been identified as Ricardo Ramirez, W/M, 01/7/82, a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Ramirez was charged with the following;

- (1) Count of Premeditated Murder- Attempt
- (1) Count of Resisting an Officer Without Violence

- (1) Count of Possession of Cocaine.

The victim has been identified as Christopher Nardi, W/M, 03/24/80, a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale. Nardi was transported to Broward Health Medical Center for multiple stab wounds and is currently listed in critical condition.

Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact Detective Brice Brittenum at 954-828-5898.

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