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COP KILLER CAPTURED AFTER 18 YEARS

A collaborative effort by law enforcement agencies led to the arrest of 49-year old Joao Maximiano DeOliveira, who is wanted in connection to the 1991 murder of a Brazilian police officer.

Special Agent Dave Billitier with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, (FBI), contacted Fort Lauderdale Police Fugitive Detective Chuck Morrow to attempt to locate DeOliveira who was believed to be living in Broward County. Billitier and Morrow are both members of the FBI Fugitive Task Force that specializes in tracking down violent fugitives both locally and internationally.

At approximately 8:00 pm last night, with the assistance of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, (ICE), and the Broward Sheriff's Office road patrol officers, DeOliveira was identified and arrested at his residence located at 519 SE 8th Avenue, Deerfield Beach, FL.

Once in custody, DeOliveira admitted to the murder and further informed detectives that he illegally entered the United States through the Mexican border.

DeOliveira was turned over to ICE officials to await extradition to Brazil.



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