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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\*
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VPD Report Number: 14-13946	<b>Date/Time Occurred:</b> 11/16/14 at 0212 hour
Type of Incident: Homicide	<b>Location: 700 Block of E. Houston Avenue</b>

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect: Age: Arrested:

1. Samuel Jose Molina 24 Yes

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Details: On 11/15/2014, at approximately 2:12 AM, Officers were dispatched to an apartment complex in the 700 Block of E. Houston Avenue regarding a report of a stabbing. Officers arrived on scene and located an adult male stab victim. The victim was transported to the Kaweah Delta Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased. The victim's identity is being withheld pending notification of his family. Anyone with information regarding the identity of the suspect is encouraged to contact Detective Mona Whaley at (559) 713-4211.

During the course of the investigation Violent Crimes Detectives identified 24 year-old Samuel Jose Molina as a suspect in this Homicide. On 11/16/14, at 2025 hours Gang Suppression Officers located Molina and took him into custody. Molina was interviewed and booked into the Tulare County Jail. The investigation is ongoing.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Violent Crimes Supervisor: LT. Dominguez

