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PRESS RELEASE

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Suspect Arrested in Ward Avenue Homicide Investigation

(Charleston County, SC) On September 6, 2015, shortly after 12:30 p.m., Jesus Arizmendi, of Midland Park Road, surrendered himself to members of the Charleston County Sheriff's Office. Jesus Arizmendi is being held in the Sheriff Cannon Detention Center. He is charged with Murder. Bond hearing will be held on September 7, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.

On September 5, 2015, shortly before 4:00 a.m., our deputies were dispatched to 6894 Ward Avenue, which is located in the unincorporated part of Charleston County to investigate a report of a home invasion. Upon our deputies' arrival on scene, the body of a deceased Hispanic male was found in the front yard near the entrance to the residence. According to initial reports, the victim and a relative, along with an infant child, were in their residence when three Hispanic males forced themselves in and started assaulting the victim with a machete type object. The victim was taken outside by the suspects, where the assault continued and the victim eventually died. After the assault, the suspects fled the scene.

This continues to be an active investigation. Our detectives continue to follow-up on leads. The Charleston County Coroner's Office is responsible for the identification of the victim.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to call CrimeStoppers at 843.554.1111 or the Charleston County Consolidated Dispatch at 843.743.7200. You can also submit a tip to us directly by visiting the Charleston County Sheriff's Office website at www.ccsso.charlestoncounty.org.

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