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Transient Charged for Violent Ventura Crime Spree

VENTURA, Calif. – District Attorney Erik Nasarenko announced today that Efrain Troncoso (DOB 01/22/02) has been charged for a violent crime spree in Ventura. Troncoso faces a total of 10 felony counts, including three counts of attempted murder, a single count of assault with a deadly weapon, two counts of robbery and two counts of attempted robbery. He is also charged with several special allegations including the infliction of great bodily injury.

Troncoso's case was set for arraignment on November 26, 2024. No plea was entered, and criminal proceedings were put on hold to determine competency. Troncoso is scheduled to return to court for a mental competency hearing on December 19, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in courtroom 13 of the Ventura County Superior Court.

On November 23, 2024, Troncoso allegedly carried out a series of violent crimes in the downtown Ventura area. The Ventura Police Department received a 911 call reporting a victim who had been stabbed in the back by a man riding a bicycle. While officers assisted the first victim, a second call came in, reporting that another individual had been stabbed in the neck multiple times. Minutes later, a third victim was struck in the head with a metal object and robbed. As officers responded to these incidents, another 911 call reported a robbery at knifepoint. Troncoso is accused of stealing keys from the fourth victim.

The case is being prosecuted by members of the Ventura County District Attorney's Office Serious-Violent Felonies Unit.

Troncoso remains in custody on a no bail hold.

Case: 2024031302

Defendant Information:

Efrain Troncoso (DOB 01/22/02)

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Charges:

- (3 counts) PC 664/187(a) – Attempted murder
- (2 counts) PC 211 – Second-degree robbery
- (2 counts) PC 664/211 – Attempted Second-degree robbery
- PC 245(a)(1) – Assault with a Deadly Weapon – knife
- PC 594(a) – Felony vandalism
- VC 664/10851(a) – Attempted unlawful driving or taking of a vehicle

Special Allegations & Aggravating Factors:

- PC 12022.7(a) – Great bodily injury in commission of a felony
- CRC 4.421(a)(1) – The crime involved great violence
- CRC 4.421(b)(1) – Defendant has engaged in violent conduct