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Sarai Rangel Villasenor

Ceres, Calif. – On 04/25/2018, at approximately 4pm, the Ceres Police Department received information of a male victim who had been stabbed several times in the chest by a female suspect. This was reported to have occurred in the early morning hours of 04/25/2018 in the rural area of Carpenter Rd. near Hatch Rd. The incident had not been reported to law enforcement prior to 4pm on 04/25/2018. Ceres Detectives took over the investigation.

Through the investigation it was determined that the victim had met the female suspect, Sarai Rangel Villasenor (29 years old out of Modesto), at Latino's bar located at 2150 Mitchell Rd. in Ceres on 04/25/2018 at around 1am. The victim and Sarai did not arrive at the bar together but met for a short time and until Sarai asked the victim for a ride to her vehicle. The victim agreed and they both left Latino's bar together. During the ride to Sarai's vehicle, the victim stopped at a gas station in Ceres to purchase a few items and noticed that a large amount of money was missing from his wallet. The victim believed Sarai stole the cash since she was the only other person in the vehicle and confronted her about it. They left the gas station and while driving Sarai to her vehicle they began to argue about the missing cash. During this argument a struggle ensued over Sarai's wallet. Sarai pulled a pocket knife from her pocket and stabbed the victim multiple times in the chest while they were driving. It is believed that the actual stabbing on Carpenter somewhere near Hatch Rd. in

Modesto. After Sarai stabbed the victim, she jumped out of the slow moving vehicle. The victim drove away and sought his own medical attention for his injuries at an area hospital. The male victim has since been treated and released for non-life threatening injuries. Sarai was arrested at her Modesto address without incident on 04/26/2018 at approximately 3:30pm. She was booked at the Stanislaus County Jail on charges of assault with a deadly weapon.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information about the incident can remain anonymous and is encouraged to contact the Detective Bryan Ferreira at (209)538-5616.