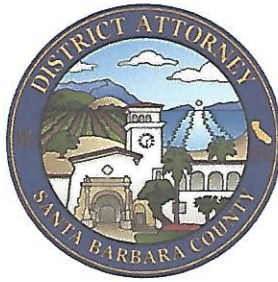


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Re: Israel Gaspar Cruz and Carlos Geovani Perez

Santa Barbara County District Attorney Joyce E. Dudley announced today that a felony complaint has been filed against 19-year old Israel Gaspar Cruz and 14-year old Carlos Geovani Perez. They are both charged with one count of Murder, in violation of Penal Code section 187, with the Criminal Street Gang special allegation, in violation of Penal Code section 186.22(b). Israel Gaspar Cruz is additionally charged with a special allegation of Personal Use of a Deadly Weapon, in violation of Penal Code section 12022(b)(1). As to Carlos Geovani Perez, the special allegation pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 707(d)(2), charging a juvenile as an adult is also alleged.

The defendants will be arraigned today in Dept. 9, in Santa Maria.

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