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NEWS RELEASE

Officer Discharges Firearm After Traffic Stop

Date and time: January 1, 2020 at 12:20 a.m.

Location: Virginia and Wyoming

Offender 1: 28 –year old Adrian Valenzuela of the 13000 block of Emerald in El Paso

Offender 2: Male passenger

El Paso, Texas- An officer from the Central Regional Command discharged her firearm last night during an incident that started with a traffic violation. Officers attempted to stop a 2006 Hummer for a red light violation. The driver, 28 –year old Adrian Valenzuela, jumped out of the vehicle and ran from the scene with one of the officers of the two officer patrol unit chasing him. The passenger, immediately jumped onto the Hummer’s driver’s seat of the still moving vehicle and fled. At that time, the officer remaining at the scene discharged her firearm. Valenzuela was arrested after a brief foot chase and found in possession of 183 grams of methamphetamine. Officer’s located the abandoned Hummer, reported stolen out of Odessa, a short distance from the scene but the passenger is still outstanding. Valenzuela is facing a variety of charges. Charges, bond amounts and his booking photo will be released at a later time.

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