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Man Sentenced to More than 320 Years For Whittier, La Mirada Crime Spree

A 23-year-old man convicted of fatally shooting one victim and injuring two others in southeastern Los Angeles County during a 2017 crime spree was sentenced yesterday, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Alejandro Lazo (dob 3/9/96) was sentenced to 320 years to life in state prison, plus 53 years. The defendant was convicted last month of one count of first-degree murder, 12 counts of attempted murder and one count of carjacking.

The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Jonathan Chung of the Major Crimes Division and Emily Carmack of the Major Narcotics Division.

On April 29, 2017, Lazo and Reyna Gomez (dob 11/19/90) carjacked a driver in Pico Rivera. The pair drove to Whittier where they shot and wounded a man in an alley. The shooting spree continued when they opened fire on two vehicles and injured another person, prosecutors said.

They then drove to La Mirada in the stolen vehicle where they stopped at an intersection and shot at several vehicles. One driver, 44-year-old Jose Ricardo Sahagun, was killed by the gunfire.

The defendants were later found nearby in another vehicle and were arrested.

Gomez was found guilty in 2018 of one count of first-degree murder, 14 counts of attempted murder and one count of carjacking. She was sentenced to the maximum term of 83 years and four months, plus 270 years to life, in state prison.

Case VA144673 was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the Whittier Police Department.

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