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**Gang Members Charged with Conspiracy to Commit Crimes
in Los Angeles County Jail**

Fourteen gang members have been charged in four separate cases with orchestrating and carrying out assaults directed by the Mexican Mafia, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Filed on June 28, case TA143615 involves six defendants, including: Jose De Jesus Rivera (dob 2/4/84), Daniel Anthony Ramos (dob 4/24/86), Miguel Michael Garcia (dob 3/11/84), Daniel Bustamante (dob 7/26/87), Miguel Arciniega (dob 3/4/97) and Edgardo Rene Moreno (dob 2/12/77).

Jose De Jesus Rivera has been charged with three counts of conspiracy to commit a crime and one count of attempted murder with gang and great bodily injury allegations. Ramos faces two counts of conspiracy to commit a crime and a gang allegation.

Garcia, Bustamante and Arciniega are each charged with one count of conspiracy to commit a crime and one count of attempted murder with gang and great bodily injury allegations. Moreno is charged with one count of being an accessory after the fact with a gang allegation.

In case TA143616, Jose De Jesus Rivera and James Piano (dob 7/24/75) have each been charged with conspiracy to commit a crime and assault by means of force likely to produce great bodily injury. The felony complaint also includes a gang allegation as to both defendants.

In case TA143617, Jose De Jesus Rivera and Eyreick John Arballo (dob 2/4/84) have each been charged with conspiracy to commit a crime with a gang allegation.

Finally, in case TA143623, Jose De Jesus Rivera, Victor Daniel Hernandez (dob 12/7/76), William Membreno (dob 6/3/87), Sergio Chavez (dob 11/4/96), Jacob Edward Salazar (dob 7/5/88), Greg Gonzalez (dob 10/6/86) and Rene Arana (dob 1/22/86) are each charged with two counts of conspiracy to commit a crime and one count of attempted murder with a gang allegation.

As to defendants Chavez, Salazar, Gonzalez and Arana, the charging document also alleges that the defendants inflicted great bodily injury.

Prosecutors allege that between July and December 2016, incarcerated gang members were allegedly directed by the Mexican Mafia to execute assaults on other gang members in the Los Angeles County jail system.

The defendants are scheduled to be arraigned July 5 in Department 12 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Compton Branch.

Deputy District Attorney Kendra Carman of the Hardcore Gang Division is assigned to the four cases.

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