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PRESS RELEASE

Evading Arrest or Detention in a Motor Vehicle, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm, Possession of a Controlled Substance in a Drug Free Zone (Cocaine), Failure to Identify Fugitive from Justice, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

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On Tuesday May 31st, 2016 at 02:14am a patrol officer observed a vehicle parked in the middle of the street at the 700 block of S. Milam St. He made contact with a male occupant in the driver's seat and a female in the passenger seat. The male driver gave a name of Rick Elizalde and the passenger was identified as a 26 year old female. Another patrol officer arrived to assist and from previous contacts he identified the driver as Ricardo Rangel. Rangel was confronted on the false name and sped off at a high rate of speed and led the patrol officers on a pursuit. After driving at a high rate of speed through several streets, Rangel fled on foot at the 300 block of Julian St. and was apprehended. A search of the vehicle was conducted and a Smith and Wesson 9mm pistol along with a small clear plastic baggie containing cocaine were located. 31 year old Ricardo Rangel was arrested and transported to the city jail. A criminal check showed Mr. Rangel had an active warrant from Laguna Vista Police Department. He was later arraigned by Judge Benjamin Yudesis and bond was set at \$180,000 dollars.

All people are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of Law