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Attorney General Balderas Announces Extradition of Roswell Man Accused of Murdering his Family

AG Balderas is currently in Mexico meeting with Procurador General de la República Raúl Cervantes Andrade

Mexico City, Mexico – New Mexico Attorney General Hector Balderas announced that Juan David Villegas was successfully extradited this afternoon and is on U.S. soil in the custody of the U.S. Marshal Service. Attorney General Balderas used the extradition process for the return of this fugitive back to the United States, and as a result Juan David Villegas was captured and returned to stand trial for the deaths of his wife and four daughters in New Mexico. On June 12, 2016, it is alleged that former fugitive Juan David Villegas shot and killed his wife, Cynthia Villegas and shot and killed his four daughters: Yamilen Villegas; Cynthia Janeth Villegas; Abigayl (Abby) Villegas; and Idaleigh (Idaly) Villegas. After Villegas allegedly killed his wife and four daughters, he fled the United States for Mexico where he was apprehended by U.S. Marshals.

“Today we begin the process of bringing justice against Juan David Villegas who rocked the community of Roswell and the entire state when he allegedly murdered his own family and fled to Mexico,” said Attorney General Hector Balderas. “I want to thank U.S. Marshal Conrad Candelaria, Fifth Judicial District Attorney Dianna Luce, and their amazing teams for their assistance in returning Juan David Villegas to New Mexico to face his crimes. Our partnerships from the federal to local levels are how we are working to put away the most dangerous, violent offenders in New Mexico.”

Attorney General Balderas is currently in Mexico meeting with Mexican justice officials, including the Attorney General of Mexico (Procurador General de la República) Raúl Cervantes Andrade to continue to strengthen New Mexico’s strong diplomatic relations with Mexico and will personally thank Attorney General Cervantes Andrade for his cooperation and effort to return Juan David Villegas to New Mexico. Attorney General Balderas also maintains regular communication with Mexican border state attorneys general regarding issues impacting the border and international extraditions.

The United States’ extradition treaty with Mexico allows extraditions of violent offenders or child predators, and the Office of the Attorney General is the only state agency in New Mexico that provides extradition support to local law enforcement and district attorneys. The Border Violence Unit of the New Mexico Office of the Attorney General navigates this lengthy and complex process with the U.S. Marshals Service, the U.S. State Department and the Department of Justice, Office of International Affairs. However, the extradition process would not be successful, if not for our strong relationships, collaborations and communication with Mexican

officials. International extraditions are one of the most important functions of the New Mexico Office of the Attorney General.

Please see attached for a photo, warrant and grand jury indictment for Juan David Villegas.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF CHAVES
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
CHAVES COUNTY
CLERK'S OFFICE

2016 JUN 14 AM 11:40

KATIE ESPINOZA
DISTRICT COURT CLERK

STATE OF NEW MEXICO,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JUAN D. VILLEGAS,

Defendant.

No. D-504-CR-2016 291

Judge ~~Case assigned~~

CRIMES CHARGED To: Judge Freddie J. Romero

OPEN COUNT OF MURDER (0001); FIRST DEGREE MURDER (WILFUL AND DELIBERATE (0001); FIRST DEGREE MURDER (WILFUL AND DELIBERATE (0001); FIRST DEGREE MURDER (WILFUL AND DELIBERATE (0001); FIRST DEGREE MURDER (WILFUL AND DELIBERATE (0001); INTENTIONAL ABUSE OF A CHILD (AGE 12-18)(RESULTS IN DEATH) (0011); INTENTIONAL ABUSE OF A CHILD (LESS THAN 12)(RESULTS IN DEATH)(6438); INTENTIONAL ABUSE OF A CHILD (LESS THAN 12)(RESULTS IN DEATH)(6438); INTENTIONAL ABUSE OF A CHILD (LESS THAN 12)(RESULTS IN DEATH)(6438);

GRAND JURY INDICTMENT

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

Count 1: **First Degree Murder (Willful and Deliberate), Second Degree Murder (Firearm Enhancement) and Voluntary Manslaughter (Firearm Enhancement)(0001)**, on or about June 11, 2016, in Chaves County, the above-named defendant did kill Cynthia Villegas, with the deliberate intention to take away the life of Cynthia Villegas or any other human being, a capital offense, contrary to Section 30-2-1(A)(1), NMSA 1978; AND FURTHERMORE, the Defendant is hereby notified that upon trial of this cause the finder of fact may be instructed to consider murder in the second degree (firearm enhancement), contrary to § 30-2-1(B) and §31-18-16, or voluntary manslaughter (firearm enhancement), contrary to §30-2-3 and §31-18-16.

Count 2: **First Degree Murder (Willful and Deliberate), (0001)**, on or about June 11, 2016, in Chaves County, the above-named defendant did kill Yamilen Villegas, with the deliberate intention to take away the life of Yamilen Villegas or any other human being, a capital offense, contrary to Section 30-2-1(A)(1), NMSA 1978.

Count 3: First Degree Murder (Willful and Deliberate), (0001), on or about June 11, 2016, in Chaves County, the above-named defendant did kill Cynthia Janet Villegas, with the deliberate intention to take away the life of Cynthia Janet Villegas or any other human being, a capital offense, contrary to Section 30-2-1(A)(1), NMSA 1978.

Count 4: First Degree Murder (Willful and Deliberate), (0001), on or about June 11, 2016, in Chaves County, the above-named defendant did kill Abby Villegas, with the deliberate intention to take away the life of Abby Villegas or any other human being, a capital offense, contrary to Section 30-2-1(A)(1), NMSA 1978.

Count 5: First Degree Murder (Willful and Deliberate), (0001), on or about June 11, 2016, in Chaves County, the above-named defendant did kill Idaly Villegas, with the deliberate intention to take away the life of Idaly Villegas or any other human being, a capital offense, contrary to Section 30-2-1(A)(1), NMSA 1978.

Count 6: Intentional Abuse of a Child (Age 12-18) (Results in Death)(Firearm Enhancement), (0011), on or about June 11, 2016, in Chaves County, the above-named defendant did intentionally and without justifiable cause, cause or permit a child to be placed in a situation that endangered the child's life or health and the abuse resulted in the death of the child, a first degree felony, contrary to Section 30-6-1(D) and §31-18-16, NMSA 1978.

Count 7: Intentional Abuse of a Child (Less than 12) (Results in Death), (6438), on or about June 11, 2016, in Chaves County, the above-named defendant did intentionally and without justifiable cause, cause or permit a child to be placed in a situation that endangered the child's life or health and the abuse resulted in the death of the child, a first degree felony resulting in the death of a child, contrary to Section 30-6-1(D), NMSA 1978.

Count 8: Intentional Abuse of a Child (Less than 12) (Results in Death), (6438), on or about June 11, 2016, in Chaves County, the above-named defendant did intentionally and without justifiable cause, cause or permit a child to be placed in a situation that endangered the child's life or health and the abuse resulted in the death of the child, a first degree felony resulting in the death of a child, contrary to Section 30-6-1(D), NMSA 1978.

Count 9: Intentional Abuse of a Child (Less than 12) (Results in Death), (6438), on or about June 11, 2016, in Chaves County, the above-named defendant did intentionally and without justifiable cause, cause or permit a child to be placed in a situation that endangered the child's life or health and the abuse resulted in the death of the child, a first degree felony resulting in the death of a child, contrary to Section 30-6-1(D), NMSA 1978.

The name of the witness upon whose testimony this Indictment is based is as follows: Jeff Prince.

State v. Juan D. Villegas
Grand Jury Indictment

I hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a true Bill.

Judy Collins
FOREPERSON

DATE: 6-14-2016

APPROVED BY:

RoxeAnne B. Esquibel
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ATTEST
CERTIFIED AS A TRUE
AND CORRECT COPY OF
THE ORIGINAL ON FILE
IN THE OFFICE.
KATIE ESPINOZA
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
BY K Espinoza
DEPUTY
6/14/16

Name:	Juan D. Villegas
Address:	2305 N. Davis, Roswell, NM 88201 (Last Known)
DOB:	09/●/1981
SSN:	●●●●●●
Gender:	Male
Race:	White
Height:	5'06
Weight:	240
Color of Eyes:	Brown
Color of Hair:	Black

ORDER

Defendant's Bond is set at \$ NO Bond

- Secured: bail bond or property bond executed on Rule 9-304
- Secured: cash at _____% of a bond to be posted with the Court
- Unsecured Bail
- Personal Recognizance

- With special conditions pending resolution of this case are as follows:
 - No contact with the victim(s) or any potential witness(es)
 - Maintain weekly contact with defense counsel
 - Not to leave Chaves County, NM without prior written approval of the Court
 - No possession of firearms or other dangerous weapons
 - No possession or consumption of alcohol
 - Not to enter into any establishments whose primary purpose is the sale of alcohol or enter into any bar
 - Not to violate any federal, state or local laws
 - Notify the Court and defense counsel of any change in address or telephone number within 24 hours of such change
 - No use or possession of a controlled substance without a valid prescription from a physician
 - No association with any person who illegally uses, possesses or distributes controlled substances
 - No association with any known gang members
 - Execute a waiver of extradition
 - No contact with any children under the age of 18 years. In child abuse cases, where CYFD is also involved, the parties may come to a written agreement regarding contact between parent and child(ren) without further order of the court.
 - Not to drive any motor vehicles
 - Not to be employed in any position which requires the handling of money or financial transactions.
 - All conditions apply while in custody as well as on bond.
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- Issue summons

If appropriate bond has not been posted, an arrest warrant shall be issued.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if appropriate bond has been posted with Magistrate Court, it is to be transferred to District Court.

District Judge

BOND INFORMATION FORM

Defendant's Name:	Juan D. Villegas	Employment:	unemployed
Community Ties:	Defendant was born in Mexico, has a Border Crossing Card and had resided in Chaves County for some time.		
Criminal History:	none		

PREVIOUS ACTION IN THIS CASE:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Complaint Filed in Magistrate Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant Not Arrested
<input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant Arrested & Remains in Custody	<input type="checkbox"/>	Defendant Arrested & Posted Bond
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Arrest Warrant Issued by Magistrate Court - Defendant Remains At Large		

Magistrate Bond Amount:	\$ 1.5 million								
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cash Only	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secured	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unsecured	<input type="checkbox"/>	10% to Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	Personal Recognizance

STATE'S BOND RECOMMENDATION:

Bond Recommended By The State:	<input type="checkbox"/>	No bond	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	District Court Arrest Warrant Requested					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cash Only	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secured	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unsecured	<input type="checkbox"/>	10% to Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	Personal Recognizance

The defendant is a:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Flight Risk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Danger to the Community	Reason:	Defendant executed his entire family and then fled the country to Mexico; defendant has extensive ties and family in Mexico
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WITH THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No contact with the victim(s) or any potential witnesses; maintain weekly contact with defense counsel; not leave Chaves County, NM, without prior written approval of the Court; not possess firearms or other dangerous weapons; not possess or consume alcohol or enter any establishments whose primary purpose is the sale of alcoholic beverages or be in any bar; not violate any federal, state or local laws; notify the Court and defense counsel of any change of address or phone number with 24 hours of such change; no use or possession of controlled substances without a prescription from a physician; not to associate with any person who illegally uses, possesses or distributes controlled substances; no association with any known gang members.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiver of extradition if the defendant lives, travels or works outside the State of New Mexico.
<input type="checkbox"/>	No contact with children under 18 years of age. In child abuse cases, where CYFD is also involved, the parties may come to a written agreement regarding contact between parent and child(ren) without further order of the court.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not to drive any motor vehicles without a valid license.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:

gy RF-16-0202

RECEIVED FROM THE CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON 08/14/2018 AT 10:00 AM. THE COURT HAS REVIEWED THE BOND INFORMATION AND HAS ORDERED THE BOND SET AT \$1,500,000.00. THE BOND IS TO BE POSTED WITHIN 10 BUSINESS DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS ORDER. THE BOND IS TO BE POSTED TO THE CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. THE BOND IS TO BE POSTED TO THE CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

6-14-16
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF CHAVES
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JUAN VILLEGAS,

Defendant.

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No. D-504-CR-2016-291
Judge Freddie J. Romero

ORIGINAL: To Be
Returned to Clerk of D.
District Court for filing

WARRANT FOR ARREST

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO ANY OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE THIS WARRANT:

BASED ON A FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE, YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to arrest Juan Villegas, 2305 N. Davis, Roswell, NM 88201 and bring him forthwith before this Court to answer to the charges of First Degree Murder (Willful and Deliberate), First Degree Murder (Willful and Deliberate), First Degree Murder (Willful and Deliberate), First Degree Murder (Willful and Deliberate), First Degree Murder (Willful and Deliberate), Intentional Abuse of a Child (Age 12-18) (Results in Death), Intentional Abuse of a Child (Less than 12) (Results in Death), Intentional Abuse of a Child (Less than 12) (Results in Death), Intentional Abuse of a Child (Less than 12) (Results in Death), contrary to §§30-02-01(A)(1), 30-02-01(A)(1), 30-02-01(A)(1), 30-02-01(A)(1), 30-02-01(A)(1), 30-06-01(D), 30-06-01(D), 30-06-01(D), 30-06-01(D), NMSA 1978, as more particularly set forth in the criminal complaint filed herein on June 14, 2016.

EXECUTED this 14 day of June, 2016.

(Seal)

BOND: NO Bond

[Signature]
DISTRICT JUDGE

PERSONAL DATA: DOB: 09/1981; POB: ; SSN: ; Hair Color: Black; Eye Color: Brown; Height: 5'06; Weight: 240 lbs.; Scars/Tattoos: . .

Will Extradite: Nationwide State of New Mexico Only Other _____

ATTEST
CERTIFIED AS A TRUE
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KATIE ESPINOZA
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
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6/20/16

