

# MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Subject:

## **NEED TO LOCATE** **MURDER INVESTIGATION**

On October 7, 2022, and October 8, 2022, City of Miami Police along with Miami Fire Rescue responded to 1122 N.W. 3 Street to investigate two separate calls of reported unresponsive males who have since been pronounced deceased. After a thorough investigation, detectives determined that both cases involved the same modus operandi.

On January 17, 2024, City of Miami Police Homicide Detectives arrested Israel Medina, D.O.B. 11/18/1984 and charged him with one count of *1<sup>st</sup> degree murder* for his involvement in distributing illicit drugs within the community which claimed the life of Yonny Vazquez, D.O.B. 8/27/1983

Homicide Detectives have since released a “Need To Locate” flyer for 64-year-old Fernando Lazaro Veliz Ramirez who is also believed to have been victimized by the suspect. Anyone who recognizes the male depicted on the flyer or know his whereabouts are asked to contact the Miami Police Department’s Homicide Office at (305) 603-6350.

Please see the attached redacted Arrest Affidavit and “Need To Locate” flyer for more detailed information.

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Miami Police Department’s Homicide Unit at (305) 603-6350. Those with information that wish to remain anonymous can contact Miami-Dade Crime Stoppers at (305) 471- TIPS (4877), and could be eligible for a reward for up to \$5,000. Visit [www.crimestoppersmiami.com](http://www.crimestoppersmiami.com) and select “Give a Tip” or Send a text message to 274637. Enter CSMD followed by the tip information and press send.

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