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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, ASSAULT, TERRORISTIC THREAT**

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On Wednesday April 16, 2013 at 06:41 pm, Officers were called out to the 200 block of Chapman St. in reference to harassment. The Officer made contact with 47 year old Salvador Mercado Jr. and he stated that his Ex-Girlfriend 25 year old Camillia Evangelina Perez has been going to his residence and demanding a camera that he had. Mr. Mercado showed the Officer a video he took of Ms. Perez with his cell phone. The video showed Ms. Perez pull up to his residence and throw a drink at him striking him and soiling his clothes. She also threatens to have cartel gang members kill him and he is convinced that the threat is credible. The video ends and he stated she got out of her vehicle and chased him, catching up to him and striking him several times on his body and kicking him on his head. Mr. Mercado showed the Officer scratches he had on his body due to the assault. As Mr. Mercado is telling the Officer what happened, Ms. Perez shows up at the location. Another Officer speaks with Ms. Perez and she claims that Mr. Mercado had held a knife to her throat earlier that day at about 02:00pm. She showed the Officer two small cuts on her neck and chin. Ms. Perez was willing to provide a sworn statement of the incident. The knife used was not located. The two were placed under arrest and transported to the station. Mr. Mercado was charged with Aggravated Assault (Family Violence) and Ms. Perez was charged with Assault (Family Violence), and Terroristic Threat. Judge David Garza arraigned the two and Mr. Mercado's bond was set at \$30,000 dollars and Ms. Perez's bond was set at \$20,000 dollars.

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