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PRESS RELEASE

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Type of Incident:	Homicide: Suspect Arrested		
Location:	14100 block Tukwila International Blvd (TIB)		
Date/Time Occurred:	9/1/12 at 10:28 P.M.	Case Number:	12-6185
Press Contact:	Mike Murphy	Phone Number:	206-423-0761

Description of Incident

Suspect Arrested in Murder of Orlando Soto

On Saturday, September 1, 2012 at 10:28 P.M., Orlando Soto was shot and killed in the parking lot of a motel in Tukwila. A single suspect was seen fleeing from the area on foot. Tukwila detectives collected evidence that led to the identification of that suspect: Asuan Santos-Valdez, age 33 of Burien.

The evidence indicated Santos-Valdez went into a nearby convenience store where his image was captured on surveillance video. His path to the store was confirmed by the police K9 and other street cameras.

Department of Corrections Officers recognized Santos-Valdez (he had a DOC warrant for his arrest at the time of the homicide). DOC officers found Santos-Valdez in Seattle on the evening of September 11, 2012. He was taken into custody without incident.

Santos-Valdez will be charged with First Degree Murder. It appears the motivation for the crime was robbery.

Tukwila PD Spokesman, Mike Murphy, will be available for interviews at the Tukwila police station at 11:30.

