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Re: Life Sentences Imposed For Armed Robbers of Internet Casino: BF172121A+D

Kern County District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer announced a significant sentencing in a criminal case involving attempted murder and armed robbery charges today.

On March 3, 2021, the Honorable Charles R. Brehmer sentenced Frankie Ramos to two 25 years-to-life sentences plus an additional 29 years, 4 months for his role in the attempted murder and armed robbery of a security guard at a Bakersfield internet casino. Ramos' co-defendant, David Moore was also sentenced to two 25 years-to-life sentences plus 25 years, 4 months for his role in the incident. Both men were found guilty by a Kern County jury in September 2020 of attempted murder, armed robbery, conspiracy, and active participation in a criminal street gang. The Judge considered and rejected both defendants' requests to not impose enhancements for firearm use and prior "strike" convictions.

On January 14, 2018, four armed robbers, including Frankie Ramos and David Moore, conspired to commit a robbery of an unlicensed casino on Baker Street in Bakersfield. The robbers parked around the corner and walked to the casino where they entered and disarmed the armed security guard, firing a warning shot just over his head. The robbers then took the cash from the gambling machines and cashier box and fled. The armed security guard chased the robbers and fired his taser at them. The robbers turned and opened fire with numerous shots, striking the security guard twice. The security guard survived the wounds.

The remaining defendants on the case, Eric Grijalva and Anesia Ribeiro, pleaded separately to other charges reflecting their involvement in the case, Ribeiro for a total of 6 years in custody and Grijalva to 15 years prison. This case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Hunter E. Starr.

District Attorney Cynthia Zimmer commented on the imposition of sentence for Ramos and Moore, stating: "When gang members use firearms in violent crimes, the law provides major penalties to ensure

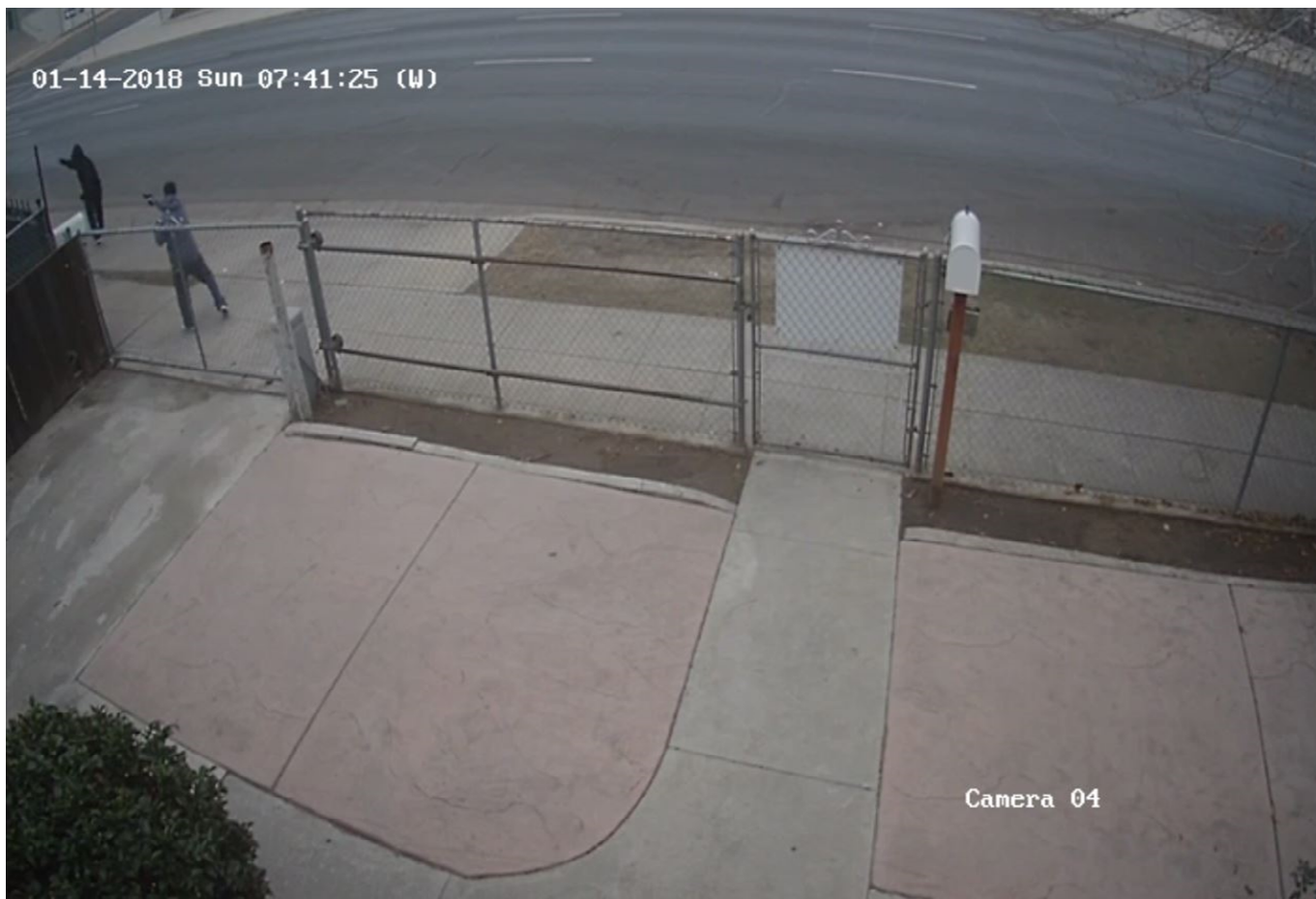
that serious, violent criminals are not allowed to endanger the community again. The life sentences in this case are a proper reflection of the serious criminal history of the offenders as well as the extremely violent actions of the crimes they committed.”

Images from various surveillance systems captured portions of the robbery and attempted murder:





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