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MAN ARRESTED FOR SHOOTING IN AREA OF 481 SUMMER STREET

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

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Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Deputy Paterson Police Chief Heriberto Rodriguez announce that based upon an investigation by the Paterson Police Department, in conjunction with the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office, Luis M. Rivera, 28 years old, from Paterson, N.J., was arrested on August 28, 2017 in relation to a shooting incident that took place on July 21, 2017 in the area of 481 Summer Street in Paterson, N.J. Based upon an investigation a total of 5 victims were identified, however the only victim who sustained injuries was a 22-year old male from Paterson, who was treated at Saint Joseph's Regional Medical Center for multiple gunshot wounds.

Mr. Rivera is charged with five counts of Attempted Murder, first degree; Unlawful Possession of a Weapon, second degree; Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose, second degree; Aggravated Assault, second degree; Aggravated Assault, fourth degree, and Certain Persons not to Possess Weapons, second degree.

On July 21, 2017, at approximately 10:05 p.m., Paterson police officers responded to a shooting incident in the area of 481 Summer Street in Paterson. As a result, a 22-year old male from Paterson was treated at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center Hospital in Paterson for multiple gunshot wounds; four other males escaped without injury. Based on the investigation, Mr. Rivera was identified as one of three suspects.

The sentencing exposure on each First Degree Attempted Murder is 10-20 years New Jersey State Prison with 85% of those terms to be served before parole eligibility pursuant to the No Early Release Act, five years parole supervision thereafter; on Fourth Degree Aggravated Assault it is 18 months New Jersey State Prison; on Second Degree Aggravated Assault it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with 85% of that term to be served before parole eligibility pursuant to the No Early Release Act, three years parole supervision thereafter; on Second Degree Unlawful Possession of a Weapon it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with a minimum of 3 ½ years before parole eligibility pursuant to the Graves Act; on Second Degree Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with a minimum of 3 ½ years before parole eligibility pursuant to the Graves Act; on Second Degree Certain Persons not to Possess Weapons it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with 5 years of parole ineligibility pursuant to the Graves Act.

Luis M. Rivera is scheduled to appear at Central Judicial Processing on August 29, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. The State intends to file a motion for pretrial detention in this matter that will be heard by a Superior Court Judge.

A criminal complaint is merely an accusation. Despite this accusation, defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

The Passaic County Prosecutor's Office asks anyone with additional information about this incident to contact us on our tips line at 1-877-370-PCPO or tips@passaiccountynj.org or contact the Paterson Police Ceasefire Unit at 973-321-1342.

For media inquiries concerning this case, contact Assistant Prosecutor Seth Galkin of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office at sgalkin@passaiccountynj.org or at (973) 881-4849.