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## BRONX MAN SENTENCED TO 17 YEARS IN PRISON FOR FATALLY STABBING ESTRANGED WIFE ON BRONX STREET Defendant Pleaded Guilty to First-Degree Manslaughter

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been sentenced to 17 years in prison after pleading guilty to Manslaughter for stabbing his estranged wife near a middle school in Morrisania.

District Attorney Clark said, "The defendant stabbed his estranged wife, with whom he shared two children, a dozen times near a middle school as students on their way to class watched in horror. He attacked her two weeks after she decided to leave him after enduring years of abuse."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Victor Garo, 48, of 1585 Townsend Avenue, was sentenced today to 17 years in prison and five years' post-release supervision by Bronx Supreme Court Justice Bahaati Pitt. The defendant pleaded guilty to first-degree Manslaughter on November 20, 2019.

According to the investigation, on the morning of September 25, 2017, the victim, Adalgisa Garo, 44, walked her son to school and as she returned home alone Garo jumped out of a car and yelled at her. The victim ran and the defendant chased her and stabbed her 12 times. The attack happened near a school as 12 and 13-year-old children were passing by. The defendant fled the scene and was arrested later that day in Hunts Point. The victim was stabbed in the chest and abdomen. She also had defensive wounds. The victim was taken to Lincoln Hospital where she was pronounced dead on arrival.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Kathryn Falasca, Supervisor in the Domestic Violence Bureau, under the supervision of Adrienne Giunta, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau, and under the overall supervision of Joseph Muroff, Chief of the Special Victims Division. District Attorney Clark thanked NYPD Detective Allan Offley of the 42<sup>nd</sup> Precinct, and NYPD Detective Patrick Flatley of Bronx Homicide for their assistance in the investigation.