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**BRONX MAN INDICTED FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER OF
TWO POLICE OFFICERS
Shootout Between Defendant and Officers Left Both Cops Wounded**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx man has been indicted for Attempted Murder in the first degree and additional charges for opening fire at two NYPD Officers last November.

District Attorney Clark said, "Two uniformed NYPD Police Officers approached the defendant after responding to a 911 call about a man with a gun. The defendant allegedly pulled out a pistol and fired multiple shots at the Officers, and one of them returned fire, wounding the defendant. During the incident, one Officer was wounded in the arm and the other was wounded in the chest. Thankfully, the injuries the Officers sustained were not life-threatening and they are expected to fully recover."

District Attorney Clark said Charlie Vasquez, 23, of Featherbed Lane, was arraigned today on two counts of Attempted Murder in the first degree, two counts of Attempted Murder in the second degree, two counts of Attempted Aggravated Assault Upon a Police Officer, two counts of Attempted Assault in the first degree, two counts of second-degree Assault, first-degree Criminal Use of a Firearm, second-degree Criminal Possession of a Weapon, Criminal Possession of a Firearm, and second-degree Obstructing Governmental Administration before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Albert Lorenzo. Remand was continued and the defendant is due back in court on April 22, 2022.

According to the investigation, on November 24, 2021, at approximately 8:06 p.m., uniformed NYPD Police Officers Robert Holmes and Alejandra Jacobs of the 48th Precinct, responded to a 911 call about a man with a gun at 2405 Beaumont Avenue. When they got to the location, they approached Vasquez, who was sitting on the stoop. The defendant allegedly took out a pistol and fired six shots at the cops, wounding Officer Jacobs in the arm. Officer Holmes struggled with the defendant in attempt to restrain him, and Officer Jacobs shot at the defendant. Two other Police Officers responding to the scene rushed to the wounded cops' aid and assisted in restraining Vasquez. During the exchange of gunfire, Officer Holmes was shot once in the



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chest. The Officers were taken to a local hospital where they were treated and released. The defendant was shot several times and is expected to make a full recovery.

The case is being prosecuted by Omer Wiczzyk, Chief of the Public Integrity Bureau, and Assistant District Attorney Allison Green, Supervisor in the Public Integrity Bureau, under the supervision of Denise Kodjo, Deputy Chief of the Investigations Division, and Wanda Perez-Maldonado, Chief of the Investigations Division. District Attorney Clark thanked Trial Preparation Assistant Lakora Sarkodie of the Public Integrity Bureau for her assistance in the investigation.

District Attorney Clark also thanked Captain Eileen Downing, Lieutenant Anthony Corrado, Sergeant Bruno Pomponio, Detective Nathaniel Jeffers and Detective Jonathan Bradlin, all of the Force Investigations Division; as well as Detective Matthew Janisch of the NYPD Crime Scene Unit, for their assistance.

An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.

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