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## TWO NYPD OFFICERS INDICTED IN OFF-DUTY SEXUAL ABUSE OF UNCONSCIOUS WOMAN AFTER NIGHT OUT

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that two NYPD officers were indicted on Criminal Sexual Act and Sexual Abuse charges for allegedly engaging in sexual conduct with a heavily intoxicated woman in an off-duty incident.

District Attorney Clark said, "The alleged actions are reprehensible. The victim was incapacitated and physically helpless, unable to consent. Our Office is providing services to the victim to help her through this."

District Attorney Clark said the defendants, Christian Garcia, 31, and Julio Alcantara-Santiago, 39, were indicted on first-degree Criminal Sexual Act, first-degree Sexual Abuse, third-degree Criminal Sexual Act, and second-degree Sexual Abuse. They were arraigned before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Brenda Rivera and are due back in court on August 6, 2024.

According to the investigation, on July 9, 2023, between approximately 12:53 a.m. and 7:30 a.m., the defendants allegedly were drinking alcohol with the victim at a Bronx nightspot and she became heavily intoxicated. The victim was seen on surveillance video unable to stand or walk on her own and being held up by Garcia and Alcantara-Santiago by her arms, and being carried by the defendants into a building. The following morning, the victim went to a local hospital. Medical testing identified DNA contributions from both men on the victim.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Shaylin French of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau under the supervision of Johanna Hernandez and Alexandra Militano, Deputy Chiefs of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, Mimi Mairs, Chief of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau, and the overall supervision of Adrienne Giunta, Deputy Chief of Special Victims Division and Joseph Muroff, Chief of the Special Victims Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked Trial Preparation Assistant Jaquelin Rodriguez Dominguez of the Child Abuse/Sex Crimes Bureau for her work on the case.



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District Attorney Clark thanked the NYPD Internal Affairs Bureau and the NYPD Bronx Special Victims Squad for their work on the case.

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