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Homicide Suspect Arrested in New York

Harrisonburg, Va. – The Harrisonburg Police Department has worked with federal officials to apprehend a suspect from a local homicide.

On June 26 at approximately 5:30 a.m., officers with the Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force of the United States Marshal Service took Wesley Cruz into custody in Orange County, New York.

Cruz was wanted in connection to the homicide of Miguel Meza that occurred on October 8, 2017 at Vibe Bistro and Hookah Lounge. On that date, at approximately 12:45 a.m., officers with the Harrisonburg Police Department responded for a reported gunshot call. The victim, Miguel Angel Meza Ramirez, 20, of Harrisonburg, was taken to Sentara Rockingham Memorial Hospital where he was later pronounced dead.

Since October, HPD's Major Crimes Unit has investigated this case. On June 25, a Crime Solvers Tip was received with information on Cruz's possible whereabouts.

"The Harrisonburg Police Department appreciates the hard work from our law enforcement partners for their assistance in the arrest of Wesley Cruz, as well as the citizens of this community who have provided tips to us throughout this investigation," says Detective Sergeant Phillip Read.

At this time, Cruz is being held at the Orange County Jail in Goshen, New York. Cruz will be extradited back to the Rockingham County Jail in the near future.

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Pictured above: Wesley Cruz arrest photograph

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