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Inmate Death at the FCI Terminal Island

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On April 16, 2020, inmate Adrian Solarzano, tested positive for COVID-19 at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Terminal Island in San Pedro, California. On May 10, 2020, in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, Mr. Solarzano was converted to a status of recovered following the completion of isolation and presenting with no symptoms.

On Friday, May 15, 2020, Mr. Solarzano was admitted to the local hospital, due to complaints of chest pains and anxiety. He was tested for COVID-19 by hospital staff on May 15 and 16, 2020, with negative results. Mr. Solarzano’s condition continued to decline. On Sunday, May 24, 2020, Mr. Solarzano, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions, which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19, was pronounced dead by hospital staff.

Mr. Solarzano was a 54-year-old male who was sentenced in the Central District of California to a 293-month sentence for Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Conspiracy, Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute and Distribute Methamphetamine, Possession With Intent to Distribute Methamphetamine and Felon in Possession of Firearm. He had been in custody at FCI Terminal Island since August 14, 2013.

FCI Terminal Island is a low security facility that currently houses 1,023 male offenders in San Pedro, California.

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