NEWS RELEASE

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Subject: **Human Remains Found Alongside Pelican Harbor**

UPDATED 8/31/00

Reenactment of incident will be in front of 521 S.W 8 Street today at 10:45 A.M, media is invited.

Officer: J. Giordano

UPDATE 6/11/09

The victim was last seen Sunday, May 31st at approximately 4:00 AM. He was being placed into a small size tan vehicle by two males.

The driver is described as a Latin male in his 30's, medium complexion with medium length hair. The suspect drove away with the victim in his car.

The second subject was also a Latin male in his 30's, medium complexion. He was last seen leaving the area on a medium size bike, possibly a girl's bike.

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UPDATED 6-5-09

Today shortly before 8:00 A.M, a witness out for a morning of Kayaking saw a plastic bag floating in the water behind 9600 N. Bayshore Drive. The witness tied a rope to the bag, pulled it to shore and called police. He did not know what was in the bag, but had recently read newspaper articles of human body remains being discovered along Biscayne Bay.

Miami Police Homicide Detectives responded and determined that the remains were inside of the plastic bag. The parts were consistent with the other remains found on previous days. The remains were taken to the medical examiners office for further examination.

Officer, J. Giordano

The City of Miami Police Department is continuing to investigate various incidents where human remains have been found.

Yesterday, shortly after at 12:55pm, a bag containing human remains surfaced near 7899 NE Bayshore Court. Those remains have been identified as Osben Laparra's, DOB 2/12/1988 of 1152 NW 6 Street.

- Today, at around 9:00am in the Pompano Beach area, a bag similar to the bag containing the human remains was discovered yesterday washed ashore containing personal items.
- At approximately, 11:30am officers responded to 1075 Biscayne Boulevard (Bicentennial Park) after learning from a passerbyer that he saw a body part floating around the seawall from the park.
- At around 1:30pm, a witness saw a floating body part near 620 Sabal Palm Drive and called 911.

Detectives are looking closely at all the discoveries recovered.

Anyone with information is urged to contact Miami-Dade Crime Stoppers at 305-471-TIPS.

Investigation continues...

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