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MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Miami Police Department Announces Historic Promotion

For the first time in the history of the Miami Police Department, a female member will be appointed to the high-ranking executive staff position of **Assistant Chief of Police**. Prior to this, the title of "Major" was considered the highest held by a sworn, female employee of the agency.

Overtown neighborhood **Commander Anita M. Najiy**, a 31-year veteran of the agency, will be promoted by Chief Manuel Orosa during a ceremony at **2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 12, 2014** at the Miami Police College Auditorium, 350 N.W. 2nd Avenue. "I am privileged to select Commander Najiy as one of my assistant chiefs," said Chief Orosa. "I am doubly honored because our nation commemorates Black History the same month of her promotion." He added: "Our 116-year city has witnessed many milestones, but this, by far, is one of the greatest of our history." Commander Najiy is expected to head the Administration Division of the agency, which encompasses crucial units such as Budget and Personnel Resource Management. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice Management and a Masters in National Security Affairs.

Also being promoted on Wednesday is **Esther Farmer**, currently assigned to the Department's Labor Relations Unit. Farmer will hold the title of Commander, also an executive staff position of substantial responsibility. She has a Bachelor and a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice Administration.

Please join the Miami Police Department at this historic ceremony. Both honorees will be available for media interviews.

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Manuel Orosa, Chief of Police