San Mateo County, California: On Sunday evening, May 21, 1995 19 year old Gabriella Tello was found murdered inside her home at 2356 Ralmar Ave. in East Palo Alto, CA. Gabriella was discovered by a family member who arrived home after a family gathering in Menlo Park. Inside the home at the time of the murder was Gabriella’s 2 year old daughter who was not harmed.

At the time of the incident, the investigation was handled by detectives from the San Mateo County Sheriff’s Office. It was determined that Gabriella had been stabbed and the suspect was identified as her boyfriend, Jose Luis Arreola who was 20 years old at the time. A warrant was issued for Arreola’s arrest however it is believed that he fled to Mexico after the murder.

Over the years, unsuccessful attempts have been made to locate Arreola who has multiple aliases including Mario Garcia and Gerardo Tello.

On Thursday, March 10, 2011, Arreola was arrested by agents of the US Homeland Security at the border crossing just south of Laredo, Texas. Arreola’s identity was confirmed through fingerprints and he was extradited to the State of California on Wednesday, March 23rd.

The case has been forwarded to the San Mateo County District Attorney’s Office for prosecution. Family members of the victim have been contacted by Sheriff’s Detectives and are relieved to hear their sister’s alleged killer had finally been arrested.

A photograph of the suspect cannot be released at this time.

Any person who witnessed this crime in 1995 or has information about the crime is asked to call either Detective Saul Lopez or Sgt. Gibbons at the telephone numbers listed above.

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