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Vehicle Collides With Pedestrian Resulting in a Fatality

Location: 1400 Block of El Camino Real, San Carlos

Type of Crime: CVC 2001 – Felony Hit and Run

Suspect: Hok Gwan Jong, 66-year-old San Mateo Resident (*Arrested*)

San Carlos, CA. –On Sunday, December 24th, at around 6:57 AM, a collision occurred on the 1400 block of El Camino Real in San Carlos, resulting in the unfortunate death of a 69-year-old male pedestrian from Redwood City. The San Mateo County Sheriff's Office responded to the incident promptly. The driver, a 27-year-old male from Redwood City, was heading north on El Camino Real when his vehicle struck the pedestrian who was crossing the roadway. Despite the efforts of paramedics, the pedestrian was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The San Mateo County Sheriff's Office Major Accident Investigation Team (M.A.I.T) responded to the scene and conducted an investigation. The driver remained unharmed and cooperated fully with law enforcement. Preliminary findings suggest that drugs and alcohol were not contributing factors, as the driver showed no signs of intoxication.

While investigating the incident, crime scene detectives discovered that a second vehicle had struck the pedestrian and left the scene. Our detectives swiftly acted and successfully located the second vehicle in the vicinity of Harris Avenue and Adams Street in Redwood City. The driver, Hok Gwan Jong, a 66-year-old San Mateo resident, was apprehended for felony hit and run and subsequently booked into the Maguire Correctional Facility.

To respect the privacy of the deceased and pending family notification, the identity of the pedestrian is being withheld.

We, the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office, are actively investigating the incident, and anyone with information or who witnessed the collision is encouraged to contact Deputy G. Ramirez at 650-802-4277.

Written By: Sergeant Javier Acosta

