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**FALL RIVER WOMAN INDICTED IN STABBING
MURDER AFTER TRAFFIC CONFRONTATION**

BROCKTON – A woman has been indicted on charges in connection with the fatal stabbing of a woman after a traffic confrontation in Brockton, Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz announced today.

A Plymouth County Grand Jury today returned indictments charging Jacqueline Mendes (DOB: 05/16/87) of Fall River, with one count each of Murder and Assault and Battery with a Deadly Weapon.

At approximately 3:45 pm on June 28, 2019, Brockton Police received multiple 911 calls reporting a stabbing in the vicinity of 276 Belmont Street and at the intersection of Grafton Street. Upon arrival, police and emergency medical personnel located a female victim bleeding profusely and suffering from a stab wound to the right side of her neck. She was treated on scene and transported to Good Samaritan Medical Center in Brockton before she was transferred by helicopter to Boston Medical Center (BMC) for treatment. The victim was pronounced dead at BMC the following day. She was identified as 41-year-old Jennifer Landry of Brockton.

Approximately 15 minutes after the incident, Mendes arrived at Brockton Police Department and reported to police that she was in an altercation with a motorist in the Belmont Street area, there was no accident, but there may have been a stabbing involved.

As part of their investigation, State Police Detectives assigned to the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office and Brockton Police developed information that a traffic confrontation ensued between Mendes and Landry prior to the stabbing. Mendes allegedly stabbed Landry with a knife and re-entered her vehicle and fled the scene.

Mendes was held without bail after her district court arraignment and continues to be held. She will be arraigned in Brockton Superior Court at a later date.

Assistant District Attorney Richard Linehan is prosecuting the case, which was investigated by State Police Detectives assigned to the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office and Brockton Police.