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Sheriff's Deputies Arrest Houston Man in Murder Investigation

(FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS) – The Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office (FBCSO) with the assistance of the Gulf Coast Violent Offender Task Force arrested Elton Jones Gainza, 36, for murder.

On April 26, 2024, at approximately 6:15 am, FBCSO responded to the 25500 block of Fulshear Gaston Road, in Richmond, Fort Bend County, Texas, regarding a deceased male found in the ditch. Upon arrival, deputies discovered the victim sustained gunshot injuries as a result of his death.

The victim was identified as 29-year-old Yoandris Bistel Rodriguez, a resident of the Houston area. Investigators learned through their investigation Rodriguez had been stalked by a known subject and was ultimately followed and shot on Fulshear Gaston Road by this subject. The subject was identified as 36-year-old Elton Jones Gainza of Houston, Texas.

A murder arrest warrant for Elton Gainza was obtained through the Fort Bend County District Attorney's Office and with the assistance of the Gulf Coast Violent Offender Task Force, Gainza was arrested. His bond has been set at \$500,000.

"This was such a senseless act that claimed the life of a member of our community," said Sheriff Eric Fagan. "Such violence shakes the very foundation of our sense of safety and unity."



Elton Jones Gainza, 36

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