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Dispute turns Violent ***1 youth killed, three others stabbed***

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Berkeley, California (Saturday, February 11, 2006) – On February 10, 2006 at about 11:30 PM, Berkeley Police dispatchers were notified about a possible stabbing on 700 block of Contra Costa Ave.

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As responding BPD Officers were arriving, they noticed several carloads of juveniles and young adults leaving the area. Officers were directed to a private residence on Contra Costa Ave., where a private party was being held. BPD Officers were told that there were multiple victims that had been stabbed, while attending the party. Reports of between 50 – 100 high school age people attended the party.

Minutes later, the Albany Police Department reported that three stabbing victims had just arrived in their parking lot. The Albany and Berkeley Fire Department transported the three victims to Highland Hospital in Oakland. One of the victims, an 18-year-old El Cerrito resident was pronounced dead at Highland. The other two victims sustained non-life threatening wounds, but are listed in serious condition.

At about 2:30 AM, another stabbing victim (fourth), walked into Children's Hospital in Oakland. His wounds were reported as non-life threatening. This victim also said he had attended the private party on Contra Costa Ave.

Preliminary investigation indicates that the stabbings were a result of a dispute between youths. BPD Homicide Investigators are working with victims and witnesses to locate the suspect(s) in this case. Anyone with information about this case is requested to contact the Berkeley Police Department at (510) 981-5900

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