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BRONX WOMAN INDICTED FOR STABBING BOYFRIEND TO DEATH **Defendant Sent a Photo of the Victim's Mutilated Body to His Family**

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Bronx woman has been indicted for stabbing her boyfriend to death after an argument.

District Attorney Clark said "The defendant, after she allegedly killed the man, texted photos of his lifeless and mutilated body to the victim's family. She displayed a level of cruelty beyond the violence itself."

District Attorney Clark said Mirda Degracia, 52, of 1471 Watson Avenue, the Bronx was indicted on second-degree Murder, first-degree Manslaughter, and fourth-degree Criminal Possession of a Weapon. She was arraigned today before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Brenda Rivera. Degracia is due back in court on August 21, 2024.

According to the investigation, on June 23, 2024, the defendant allegedly stabbed the victim, Reynaldo Luna Briso 63, multiple times in the chest and neck with a knife inside her apartment. Degracia allegedly then contacted the victim's family by phone to tell them that she had killed Briso and texted photos of his body via the WhatsApp messaging app to members of his family.

The case was prosecuted by Major Case Assistant Allison Kline of the Domestic Violence Bureau, under the supervision of Jenna Rizzo, Deputy Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau, Simon Folkard, Deputy Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau, Agata DiGiovanni, Chief of the Domestic Violence Bureau, and under the overall supervision of Adrienne Giunta, Deputy Chief of Special Victims Division and Joseph Muroff, Chief of Special Victims Division. District Attorney Clark thanked Assistant District Attorney Jennifer Esposito, Homicide Advocate Laura Ramirez of the Crime Victims Assistance Bureau, and Interpreter Kiran Chand for their assistance in the case.



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District Attorney Clark thanked NYPD Detective Sheldon Smith of the Bronx Homicide Squad and NYPD Detective Jose Diaz from the 43rd Precinct and for their work in the investigation.

An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.