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Testimony of Monica Padilla

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Q: And Monica, you came in from Santa Fe today, is that right?

A: Yes sir.

Q: And what are you doing in Santa Fe?

A: I am a cadet right now in the Corrections Academy.

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Q: So prior to joining or getting into the Academy, The Cadet Academy with the Department of Corrections, were you employed with the Department of Corrections?

A: Yes sir I was.

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Q: Did you see anything occur - any response at a later time by Mr. Armendariz or Mr. Chavez? Did they say anything back to the corrections officers?

A; No sir.

Q: Did they gesture in any way and show themselves any - well, did you see either Mr. Chavez or Mr. Armendariz with a weapon inside the bar?

A: Yes. At the end of the night when all the conflict started,. Yes.

Q: I mean on October 5.

A: Right.

Q: Can you explain to the jury what you saw?

A: I saw - well, my friend Kelli was running towards the doors, and I was right behind her. I didn't want to leave her alone. I know there was a scuffle going on by the door so I ran with her. And Jeff Medina was standing, and the shooter had pulled up his shirt and showed his gun to Jeff. They were

talking back and forth to each other. I'm not sure what they were saying to each other.

Q: When you say "the shooter," is that Mr. Armendariz?

A: Yes sir. And he pulled up his shirt and showed Jeff his gun that he had tucked in his pants. And at that time, Kelli and myself covered Jeff's eyes and told him to leave at that time, and he did.

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Q: Okay. And by having one of the guy on the car, can you describe—how did he have them?

A: By me going through the Academy, I know how to use a proper restraint, and he was using proper restraint to hold his hands back and have him up against the car.