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## NEWS

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### **Aliso Viejo explosion being investigated as a crime**

**SANTA ANA, Ca. (May 16, 2018)** - Orange County Sheriff's Department investigators, in partnership with the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) and the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF), continue to investigate the cause of an explosion at an Aliso Viejo business that killed one female and injured two others.

At approximately 1:10 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15, Orange County Fire Authority firefighters were dispatched to reports of an explosion at a medical office building at 11 Mareblu in the city of Aliso Viejo.

Upon arrival, fire authorities assessed the scene and reported major damage to the building. One deceased female was found during a preliminary search of the building. Two other women suffered injuries and were taken to a local hospital for treatment. They are expected to survive.

OCS.D and OCFA evacuated the surrounding areas, including more than 100 children from a nearby preschool.

Members of the Orange County Sheriff's Department's Hazardous Devices Section and the Orange County Fire Authority Hazardous Materials Team also responded to the scene. The agencies worked jointly to secure the scene and render it safe for processing.

In addition, investigators from the FBI and ATF also responded to assist.

Investigators believe the female victim was killed by an explosion from inside the business, which is day spa located on the first floor of the building.

Due to the condition of the victim, she has not yet been officially identified by the Orange County Sheriff's Department Coroner Division. Investigators believe the victim to be the day spa owner -- Ildiko Krajnyak, 48.

Authorities are investigating this as a crime and the OCS.D Homicide Division is leading the investigation. No arrests have been made and the investigation remains active and ongoing.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the FBI tip line at 1-800-call-FBI. Video of the incident can be uploaded to [www.fbi.gov/caexplosion](http://www.fbi.gov/caexplosion).

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