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# Point Loma Murderer Who Fled to Mexico Captured, Extradited and Faces Charges

## *Arraignment Scheduled Wednesday in 24-Hour-Fitness Killing*

After two years on the run in Mexico, the man wanted in connection with killing 27-year-old Alexander Mazin outside of a 24-Hour-Fitness in Point Loma in February 2018, has been arrested and successfully extradited to San Diego to face criminal charges. The San Diego County District Attorney's Office announced that Ernesto C. Martinez will be arraigned tomorrow, May 6, between 10:15 and 11 a.m. in Department 101 of the San Diego Superior Court, downtown. Martinez is charged with murder and stalking. He faces life in prison without the possibility of parole if convicted.

The DA's Office extradited Martinez from Mexico in early March with the help of law enforcement partners in Mexico, the U.S. Marshal's Service and the San Diego Police Department.

Extraditing defendants from Mexico and other foreign countries can be challenging because it is a formal process governed by international treaties between the United States and other countries and several federal agencies are involved in the process. The San Diego District Attorney's Office has a very cooperative relationship in extradition matters with Mexico. Read more about our extradition process on our [captured and convicted page](#).

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