Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training
Peace Officer Standards Accountability Division
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STATEMENT OF FINDINGS

POST makes the following information available to the public pursuant to Penal Code §13510.85(c) which establishes that POST shall publish the names of any peace officer whose certification has been suspended or revoked and the basis for the suspension or revocation.

CASE NO.: POST2404495

SUBJECT OFFICER: Andres Morales **POST ID:** C77-M82

EMPLOYING AGENCY: Sanger Police Department

ALLEGED MISCONDUCT: 13510.8(b)(6)/11 CCR 1205(a)(6) – Acts that Violate the Law

CASE SUMMARY:

On May 29, 2024, the Sanger Police Department submitted a report of potential serious misconduct to POST against Officer Andres Morales, hereafter "Respondent," alleging that Respondent had committed an act that violates the law, while employed as a peace officer. This event was actionable pursuant to Penal Code section 13510.8(b)(6). Following POST's investigation and review, POST found, by clear and convincing evidence, that reasonable grounds existed for consideration of revocation pursuant to PC 13510.8. A summary of the investigative findings of the Division are as follows:

While off-duty on April 4, 2024, the Respondent, Sanger Police Officer Andres Morales, went to the residence of a woman he met on an online dating site (referred to hereinafter as "Complainant"). When he arrived at the residence, the Respondent entered the Complainant's house without permission and while there, touched her in a non-consensual sexual manner and forced her to touch him in a non-consensual sexual manner.

The Sanger Police Department completed an administrative investigation which sustained allegations of misconduct against the Respondent for entering the Complainant's home without permission, non-consensual and persistent touching of a sexual nature, and off-duty conduct unbecoming an officer reflecting negatively on the Police Department.

A Notice of Termination was drafted, effective October 4, 2024. The Respondent submitted his written resignation on the morning of October 4, 2024, before he could be served with the termination notice.

ANALYSIS/FINDINGS:

The alleged misconduct violated Penal Code Section 13510.8 (b)(6) and Title 11, California Code of Regulations Section 1205 (a)(6) – Acts that Violate the Law

Penal Code Section 13510.8 (b)(6) and Commission Regulation 1205 (a)(6) defines as serious misconduct "Acts that violate the law and are sufficiently egregious or repeated as to be inconsistent with a peace officer's obligation to uphold the law or respect the rights of members of the public, as determined by the Commission."

> There is clear and convincing evidence the Respondent entered the Complainant's home unannounced and without permission. There is also clear and convincing evidence that the Respondent committed Sexual Battery, as defined in Penal Code section 243.4, when he touched the Complainant's intimate parts against her will and forced her to touch his intimate parts in a sexual manner. Sexual Battery is an act of moral turpitude sufficiently egregious to warrant revocation of peace officer certification.

OUTCOME/IMPOSITION OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST PEACE OFFICER CERTIFICATION:

The Peace Officer Standards Accountability Division determined that reasonable grounds existed to seek revocation of the Respondent's certification in this case. A notice of intent to revoke was served on March 28, 2025. Respondent did not file a request for review within the 30-day response period, pursuant to Penal Code section 13510.85 (a)(2), thus resulting in default revocation of Respondent's certification with no further proceedings. On May 6, 2025, the default order was issued and served on Respondent. Respondent Andres Morales' (POST2404495) (POST ID: C77-M82) peace officer certification was revoked on May 6, 2025.