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Ward County Fatal Crash - Update

What: Fatality crash

Where: Intersection of Hwy 83 & Hwy 23, about 15 miles south of Minot

When: May 28, 2020 3:30 PM

Road Conditions: Normal

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Vehicle/Vehicle

Type of Crash: Angle, T-bone style crash

Agencies Involved: NDHP, Ward County Sheriff's Office, Garrison-Max Ambulance, Max Fire Dept, Northstar Criticair Air Ambulance

Vehicle No. 1: 2014 Chevrolet Equinox

Driver No. 1: Susan Brown, female, 63, Minot, ND, serious injuries

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Charges: None

Passenger No. 1: Juvenile male, 10, Minot, ND, serious injuries

Restraints: Seatbelt in use

Vehicle No. 2: 2006 BMW sedan

Driver No. 2: Hector Ramirez, male, 44, St Petersburg, FL, fatal injuries

Restraints: No seatbelt

Charges: None

Passenger No. 1: Michael Oquendo Sanchez, male, 25, New Town, ND, serious injuries

Restraints: Seatbelt use unknown

Passenger No. 2: Oswald Alicea, male, 24, New Town, ND, serious injuries

Restraints: No seatbelt

NARRATIVE: The Chevrolet was traveling southbound on Hwy 83 approaching Hwy 23. The BMW was traveling eastbound on Hwy 23 approaching Hwy 83. The BMW disregarded a stop sign and entered the intersection in front of the Chevrolet. The Chevrolet struck the BMW on the driver's side. The Chevrolet slid into the median, where it came to rest. The BMW slid south of the intersection and came to rest on Hwy 83.

The driver of the BMW, Hector Ramirez, was pronounced deceased on scene. Michael Oquendo Sanchez was transported by air ambulance to Minot Trinity hospital. Oswald Alicea, Susan Brown, and the juvenile male were transported by ambulance to Minot Trinity hospital.

This crash remains under investigation by the NDHP.

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