

Daily Protests Against Police Killing of Latino in U.S. State of Washington



Seattle, February 23 (RHC)-- A shooting death caused by a U.S. police officer has triggered days of demonstrations demanding justice. The protests over the killing of Antonio Zambrano-Montes, a 35-year-old Mexican immigrant and former orchard worker, are reminiscent of those by the Black Lives Matter movement, which slams U.S. police brutality against minorities, mainly the country's African American community.

In mid-February, Zambrano-Montes was shot dead in Pasco, Washington, as he was allegedly threatening police officers by throwing rocks at them. "It was just a rock," shouted protesters outside Pasco City Hall, where they have been holding daily demos since February 10th.

A cell phone video, obtained following the incident, shows Montes being shot while he is standing no more than 20 feet away from the officers with his hands held out in front.

Police allege that the man hit two officers with rocks and refused to put down other stone following demands by the cops who failed to subdue him even after using a stun gun.

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