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## Man Charged with Shooting Wife and Son in San Gabriel

An 80-year-old man pleaded not guilty today to shooting two family members on Sunday, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Adrian Louis Ness (dob 8/25/37) has been charged with three felony counts in case GA103913: two counts of attempted murder and one count of injuring a spouse.

The felony complaint includes a special allegation that the defendant personally and intentionally discharged a firearm, which caused great bodily injury. Moreover, the charging document alleges that Ness personally inflicted great bodily injury upon the victims under circumstances involving domestic violence.

At today's arraignment, the defendant's bail was set at \$4.06 million.

Deputy District Attorney Melanie Buccat of the Victim Impact Program is assigned to the case.

Prosecutors said on July 7, Ness allegedly shot his 90-year-old wife and 53-year-old son in the 6300 block of Muscatel Avenue in San Gabriel. The defendant was arrested soon after the attack.

Ness is scheduled to return to court on Aug. 9 for a pre-preliminary hearing in Department 5 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Alhambra Branch.

If convicted as charged, he faces a maximum possible sentence of 88 years to life in state prison.

The case is being investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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