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FTO-DESIGNATED CARTEL DE JALISCO NUEVA GENERACION (CJNG)

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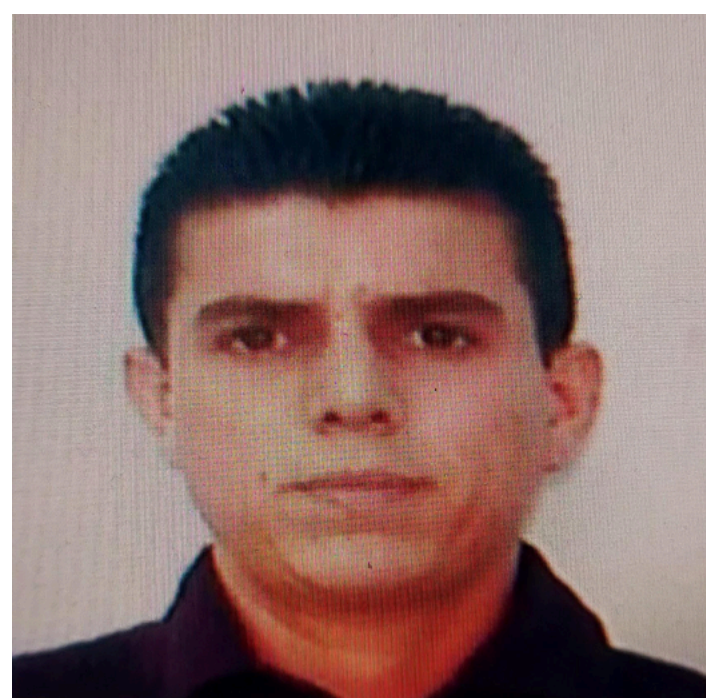
WANTED: JUAN CARLOS VALENCIA GONZÁLEZ
MEMBER OF FTO-DESIGNATED CJNG
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NAME: Juan Carlos Valencia González
ALIASES: Pelon, El R-3, El JP, Tricky Tres, O3
DOB: September 12, 1984
POB: Sana Ana, California (United States)
NATIONALITY: American
CITIZENSHIP: Mexican, United States
HEIGHT: 5'9"
WEIGHT: 170 lbs
HAIR COLOR: Brown
EYE COLOR: Brown
SCARS, TATTOOS, OR MARKS: Unknown

Juan Carlos Valencia Gonzalez is one of the alleged leaders of the Cartel de Jalisco Nueva Generacion (CJNG), assessed to be the most violent drug trafficking organization (DTO) currently operating in Mexico, with the highest cocaine, heroin, and methamphetamine trafficking capacity. Valencia Gonzalez's mother, Rosalinda Gonzalez Valencia, is married to CJNG leader Nemesio Ruben Oseguera-Cervantes, a/k/a "El Mencho,"- making him Valencia Gonzalez's his stepfather. El [Mencho is also a designated target of the State Department Narcotics Rewards Program \(NRP\) with a reward offer of up to \\$10 million.](#)

A DEA investigation of Valencia Gonzalez reveled he was responsible for the manufacturing, transportation, and distribution of tons of quantities of narcotics, as well as for organizing numerous crimes of violence.

On July 20, 2020, during a press conference hosted by Mexican President Lopez-Obrador, Secretary of Defense Luis Cresencio Sandoval Gonzalez provided an analysis of social media videos depicting the armed wing of the JCJNG, Grupo Elite. Sandoval described one of the leaders of Grupo Elite as Juan Carlos Gonzalez, alias "El R-3."

Valencia Gonzalez was charged in a federal indictment returned on October 8, 2020 in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. The indictment charges Valencia Gonzalez with conspiracy and distribution of a controlled substance for purpose of unlawful importation into the United States, in violation of Title 21, U.S.C. § 959(a), 960, and 963 and use of a firearm during a narcotics transaction, in violation of Title 18, U.S.C. §924.

The U.S. Department of State is offering a **REWARD OF UP TO \$5 MILLION** for information leading to the arrest and/or conviction of Juan Carlos Valencia Gonzalez, a/k/a "Pelon."

If you have information, please contact the DEA at +1-213-237-9990, or by email at MENCHOTIPS@dea.gov. If you are located outside of the United States, please contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate. If in the United States, please contact the local DEA office in your city.

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