



SITUATIONAL REPORT (SITREP)

**Jeffrey Epstein – Victim;
Irregularities in a Federal Penal Institution;
Death Investigation;
90A-NY-3151227**

(U) Current Situation of Epstein Death investigation, as of 5:30 p.m. EDT 08/12/2019:

- (U//FOUO) Members of the VCTF, SDNY, and OIG concluded the interview of the Warden of the MCC. No significant information provided relating to the death investigation.
- (U//FOUO) NYO CART reviewed the video system within the MCC and was able to determine some video of the hallway leading to Epstein's cell block does still exist on the system. CART initiated efforts to retrieve that video.
- (U//FOUO) Members of the VCTF were able to begin the interviews of some of the MCC staff, to include the Captain and Lieutenants on duty at the time of Epstein's death. A total of four staff members agreed to be interviewed, and some of those were initiated in the late afternoon of 8/12/19. Of note, the two guards that were the first to discover Epstein have both referred the FBI/OIG to their attorneys and have not yet agreed to be interviewed.

(U) Current Situation of the search of Epstein's private island, Little St. James, as it relates to the ongoing Sex Trafficking investigation.

- At approximately 0855 on 8/12/2019, the Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force (CEHTTF) approached Little St. James (LSJ) Island and were met on the dock by attorney Christopher Kroblin, his associate and two security personnel. Kroblin advised he was contacted during the evening of 8/11/2019, informed of the pending FBI search warrant and instructed to be on LSJ to meet the search team upon arrival.
- Interviews of the security personnel have been completed. Nothing significant to report.
- As compared to the NY residence, there are nominal nude paintings/photographs.
- In addition to various documents and pictures of value to the investigation, numerous servers, computers, and other digital pieces of evidence have been seized.
- A drone from an unknown point of origin has monitored the search activities from close range.

- The search and interviews have generated a list of local individuals who worked on LSJ and need to be interviewed. The CEHTTF will work to complete these interviews on 8/13/2019.
- The search is expected to be completed by 2100 on 8/12/2019.

(U) Investigative Plan:

The 08/12/2019 proposed plan is as follows:

- (U//FOUO) Members of the NYO's VCTF will attempt to make contact with three (3) MCC Correctional Officers – the two officers that discovered Epstein and began to provide medical aid, and the one officer that facilitated the unmonitored phone call between Epstein and Shuliak.
- (U//FOUO) Members of the VCTF will attempt to interview Efrain Reyes.
- (U//FOUO) Members of the VCTF will participate in the joint interview of the Warden of the MCC.
- (U//FOUO) Evidence (video hard drives) collected during the crime scene investigation will be submitted for analysis.
- (U//FOUO) Members of the VCTF will coordinate with the SDNY to facilitate the interview of Shuliak.

(U) Detailed Background:

- (U//FOUO) On 7/6/2019, Epstein was remanded to the Metropolitan Correctional Center (MCC), 150 Park Row, New York, NY.
- (U//FOUO) On 7/8/2019, Epstein was placed on suicide watch and evaluated by MCC Psychologist and underwent observations until 7/10/2019.
- (U//FOUO) On 7/23/2019, Epstein first attempted suicide via hanging, and was discovered unconscious in his cell at approximately 1:27 a.m. EDT. Epstein was placed on suicide watch until 7/29/2019.
- (U//FOUO) In the morning hours of 8/9/2019, Epstein's cell mate, Efrain Reyes, was released from the MCC, leaving Epstein alone in his cell.
- (U//FOUO) On 8/9/2019 at approximately 7:19 p.m. EDT, an MCC Correctional Officer allows Epstein to make a phone call on an unsecured and unmonitored line. The call was to Karyna Shuliak and was approximately 20 minutes in length.

- (U//FOUO) On 8/10/2019, at approximately 6:30 a.m. EDT, Jeffrey Epstein was found unresponsive in his jail cell at the MCC. Epstein was found with a make-shift noose around his neck in an apparent suicide. Emergency medical response efforts to revive Epstein were unsuccessful, and he was pronounced dead at approximately 7:30 a.m.
- (U//FOUO) Initial incident reports generated at the MCC and sent to BOP HQ on 8/10/2019, documented that two MCC Correctional Officers falsified observation logs for Epstein's cell for the overnight hours of 8/9 – 8/10/2019. This prompted a criminal investigation by the Office of Inspector General (OIG).