

Florida Department Of Corrections  
 Office of the Inspector General  
 Report of Investigation  
 Walton Murphree, Interim Inspector General



09-41415

Inspector General Case #: 09-41145

Facility: Martin Correctional Institution

Classification of Incident: Homicide

Field Office/Region: Fort Lauderdale/ Region IV

Incident Date: 05/11/09


Time: 9:30 a.m.

Inspector: S. Thomas




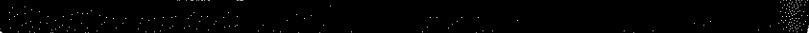
Date of Report: 08/28/09

Case Type: A-1

Check all that apply:

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- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Number (if applicable)
- Principal(s) Exhibits Attached
- Department of Corrections presented to State Attorney  Declined  Accepted
- Use of Force (UOF) Number (if applicable)
- Complaint of Discrimination
- Addendum
- Wing Video Camera(s) Present in the Area of Incident  YES  NO

**SUMMARY OF ALLEGATIONS:**

Inmate Amador approached Officer Whipple at the south gate of the recreation yard who noticed Inmate Armador  Inmate Armador was   
 Inmate Amador was 

**SUMMARY OF DISPOSITION/JUSTIFICATION FOR DOWNGRADE/EXONERATION:**

I request this case be downgraded.

This matter is currently being investigated by The Florida Department of Law Enforcement.



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	Name	Title / DC #	D.O.B.	Employee ID #
<b>Complainant:</b>	Thomas, Scott	Senior Inspector	[REDACTED]	21186
<b>Victim(s):</b>	Amador, Jose	192840		
<b>Witness(es):</b>	Jester, Eric	Special Agent Florida Department of Law Enforcement		
	Kulp, Kevin	Special Agent Florida Department of Law Enforcement		
	Smith, Kerri	Assistant State Attorney 19 <sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit		
	Dominguez, Josvani	M07687		
	Semidey, Francisco	195647		
	Wombles, Roy	089410		
<b>Subject(s):</b>	Rodriguez, Miguel	196223		

Arrest:  Employee     Inmate     Other  
Charges:

Felony     Misdemeanor

Date of Arrest:

Sentence of Court / Agreement:

Administrative Violation(s):

Evidence:  Weapon     Drugs     Other    Describe:

Other Agency Case Number: 9-7759

**FINDINGS:**

In his Incident Report of May 11, 2009, Officer Whipple indicated the following:

Inmate Amador approached the south gate of the recreation yard. Officer Whipple asked Inmate Amador where he was going and [REDACTED] Officer Whipple then noticed Inmate Amador [REDACTED] Inmate Amador was [REDACTED]

(Exhibit A-1)



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An attempt was made to interview Inmate Amador as he was [REDACTED]  
When asked [REDACTED] Inmate Amador replied in Spanish "I'll take it to the grave."

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(Exhibit A-2)

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement was notified of the possible homicide of Inmate Amador. Special Agents Eric Jester and Kevin Kulp responded to investigate the incident as well as any crime scene.

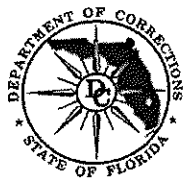
The Martin County State Attorney's Office was also notified with Assistant State attorney Kerri Smith responding to assist.

On May 12, 2009, the Medical Examiner's Office released the report of autopsy noting the cause of death [REDACTED] manner of death homicide. (Exhibit A-3)

The following intelligence has been developed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement however the investigation is ongoing and no suspect has been named:

Inmate Dominguez, Josvani #M07687 [REDACTED] witnessed Inmate Rodriguez, Miguel #196223 [REDACTED] Inmate Amador, Jose #192840 on the recreation field. He then witnessed Inmate Rodriguez urinate on the weapon in order to cleanse it and placed the weapon in a hole that was located close to the basketball court. He then covered the weapon with dirt and walked to the back of the recreation yard. Inmate Dominguez stated the assault was retaliation from an assault that took place on Sunday (5/11/09) involving another inmate.

Inmate Semidey, Francisco #195647 stated Inmate Amador, and inmate nicknamed "Lasarito" lives in E1 (possibly Lazaro Gomez) and an inmate nicknamed "Hen" who lives in G1 (unidentified), assaulted Inmate Del Sol on Sunday, May 10, 2009. Inmate Semidey further stated that he was with Inmate Rodriguez when he told Inmate Amador to come out of the unit and "pay his dues."



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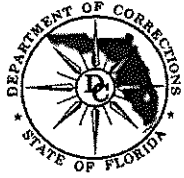
"Furthermore, under penalties of perjury, I declare I have read the foregoing report and the contents of the report are true and accurate based upon my personal knowledge, information, and belief."

*[Handwritten signature]*

Investigator's Signature

08/27/09  
Date





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**EXHIBIT/ATTACHMENTS SECTION**

**A. EXHIBIT(s) - attached:**

1. Incident Report by Officer Whipple
2. [REDACTED] on Inmate Amador
3. Incident Report completed by Officer Thompson
4. Report of Autopsy on Inmate Smith
5. Principal Exhibits

**B. EXHIBIT(s) - not attached:**

None