

**INCIDENT REPORT
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

INVESTIGATION #09-3-1322

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: Tomoka Correctional Institution

DATE/TIME OF OCCURRENCE: April 16, 2009
1332 hours

SUBJECT(S): Holmes, Tommy
DC# 076087
B/M, DOB: 02/18/1963
Tomoka Correctional Institution

VICTIM: Bridges, Dexter
DC# 326531
B/M, DOB: 11/04/1962
Tomoka Correctional Institution

INVESTIGATOR: Senior Inspector Barry E. Glover

M.O.: Premeditated First Degree Murder

NARRATIVE:

On April 16, 2009, at 1332 hours, Correctional Officer Leslie Austin notified the Control Room and reported a fight in Wing 1 of "A" Dormitory. Sergeant Kevin Hatfield and Officer Robert Wiedrick responded to "A" Dormitory. Sergeant Hatfield entered "A" Dormitory and approached Inmate Bridges, who was on his knees between two bunks attempting to stand up. Officer Wiedrick approached Inmate Holmes and observed that he had a homemade weapon in his hand. Officer Wiedrick placed Inmate Holmes into restraints without further incident.



Inspectors Glover and Joiner, while en-route to an Aggravated Battery incident at Brevard Correctional Institution, were contacted by Officer Fedarko from Tomoka C.I. at 1351 hours and advised of a possible stabbing at Tomoka C.I. Inspector Glover contacted Inspector Moorman and Inspector Supervisor Mankins and advised them of the incident. At 1358 hours, Inspectors Glover and Joiner were advised that Inmate Bridges [REDACTED] Inspectors Glover and Joiner responded to Tomoka C.I., along with Inspectors Moorman, Mankins, Mulharan and Spurlock.

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During a cursory examination of Inmate Bridges' body, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Inmate Bridges' autopsy is scheduled for 0900 hours on April 17, 2009. Inspectors Joiner and Glover will be attending.

The weapon is described as a piece of sheet metal sharpened to a point, with a handle constructed of an ace bandage. It was alleged that the weapon had been made by an unidentified inmate in the PRIDE Industries at Tomoka C.I.

Inspectors Glover and Joiner interviewed Inmate Holmes. Inmate Holmes waived his Constitutional Rights and indicated that he killed Inmate Bridges, because Inmate Bridges had owed him \$30.00 from a previous Super Bowl bet. On April 16, 2009, at 1030 hours, he approached Inmate Bridges on the recreation yard and asked for his money. Inmate Bridges spat in his face and "disrespected" him. He retrieved a homemade weapon, which he had concealed in his mattress, and following the noon meal, Inmate Holmes entered "A" Dormitory, approached Inmate Bridges at the table in the dayroom, [REDACTED] Inmate Bridges attempted to get away from Inmate Holmes and ran into the sleeping area. Inmate Holmes pursued Inmate Bridges and [REDACTED]

At 1952 hours, Inmate Holmes was transported to the Volusia County Jail by deputies from the Volusia County Sheriff's Department.

Based on the sworn testimony of staff and inmate witnesses, [REDACTED]

UPDATED INFORMATION:

On April 17, 2009, this incident was assigned to Inspector Glover for investigation.

On April 17, 2009, at 0900 hours, Inspectors Glover and Joiner attended the autopsy on Inmate Bridges. Preliminary findings by the Medical Examiner were that Inmate Bridges [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] A report from the Medical Examiner's office is forthcoming.

On April 17, 2009, I met with Investigator Shon McGuire and Assistant State Attorney Matt Foxman, Office of the State Attorney, 7th Judicial Circuit. Mr. Foxman reviewed the subject interview and indicated that the investigation by the I.G. inspectors, appears to be "Top shelf".

On April 17, 2009, at 1332 hours, Inmate Holmes attended First Appearance at the Volusia County Jail. Following First Appearance, Inmate Holmes was transported to Florida State Prison by officers from Putnam Correctional Institution.

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On April 20, 2009, I was contacted by the Office of the State Attorney, and advised that I would be testifying at the Grand Jury in Deland, Florida, on April 30, 2009.