



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



**Inspector General Case #:** 09-42787

**Facility:** South Florida Reception Center (SFRC)

**Classification of Incident:** Inmate Death

**Field Office/Region:** Fort Lauderdale/IV

**Incident Date:** 8/23/09      **Time:** 3:15

**Inspector:** McGrath

**Date of Report:** 9/29/09

**Case Type:** A1

**Check all that apply:**

- [REDACTED]
- 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)**
- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)**
- Addendum**
- Wing Video Camera(s) Present in the Area of Incident**  **YES**  **NO**

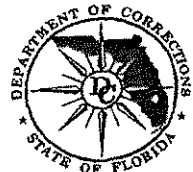
**SUMMARY OF ALLEGATIONS:**

N/A- Inmate Death, [REDACTED] Inmate Julio Scipioni was found down in the shower area of Charlie Dormitory in the South Unit of SFRC. He had apparently slipped, and expired later [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED]

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

Requesting a downgrade- Primary responsibility for investigation of this case is the jurisdiction of Miami-Dade Police Department.





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[REDACTED]

Another inmate, Joel Borinstein, saw Inmate Scipioni slip and fall in the shower. Inmate Borinstein prepared a witness statement. (Exhibit A1)

In his Witness Statement Form, Inmate Joel Borinstein indicated the following:

I witnessed Inmate Scipioni slip and fall backwards while in the shower. (Exhibit A2)

The [REDACTED] due to a fall in the shower. (Exhibit A3)

*I arrived at the institution around 6:00 a.m. on August 23, 2009. While enroute, I spoke with Detective Jose Gonzalez, Miami-Dade Police Department. He was at [REDACTED] and advised that the Inmate had expired there. He asked me to go to the prison, and to isolate the witness, Joel Borinstein.*

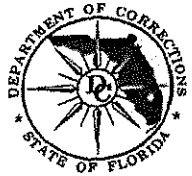
*I did so, and Detective Gonzalez arrived around 6:45 a.m. Detective Gonzalez interviewed Inmate Borinstein in my presence. Inmate Borinstein said he witnessed the event and that the Inmate had fallen down [REDACTED] in the shower. Inmate Borinstein said that there were no other persons involved, that the inmate merely slipped and fell.*

*We then moved to the shower area of Charlie Dormitory. The area had already been cleaned. However there were pieces of tile approximately 1 inch by 1 inch that had apparently come loose and were missing. Because some of the tiles were still present and adhered to the floor, the missing tiles which had abutted the remaining tiles gave a raised contour, and presented a fairly sharp edge. Detective Gonzalez indicated that [REDACTED]*

*Detective Gonzalez asked that I get a copy of the Inmate's [REDACTED] I provided them to him the following week*

On September 3, 2009, I received an Investigation Report from the Miami-Dade Medical Examiner. The report indicates that Inmate Scipioni had expired at 3:00 a.m. on August 23, 2009. The report further stated that the Inmate [REDACTED] due to a fall. (Exhibit A4)

The remaining documents in the Incident Report Package have been included in this report. (Exhibit B1)



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_____	<b>Inspector</b>	_____	<b>Date</b>
_____	<b>Prison Inspector Supervisor</b>	_____	<b>Date</b>
_____	<b>Chief Prison Inspector</b>	_____	<b>Date</b>
_____	<b>Deputy/Inspector General</b>	_____	<b>Date</b>



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**EXHIBIT/ATTACHMENTS SECTION**

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

1. Incident Report-Sergeant Thermidor.
2. Witness Statement Inmate Joel Borenstein.
3. [REDACTED]
4. Miami-Dade Medical Examiner's Report.

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

1. Miscellaneous documentation from Incident Report Package.