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Inmate Death at FCI Butner I's Satellite Camp

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Monday, April 23, 2020, Isaac Lamar Byers, an inmate at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Butner I's Satellite Prison Camp (SPC), in Butner, North Carolina, tested positive for COVID-19. On April 27, 2020, Mr. Byers went into respiratory failure. He was evaluated by institutional medical staff and transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. On Sunday, May 10, 2020, his condition declined and he was placed on a ventilator. On Tuesday, May 26, 2020, Mr. Byers, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced dead by hospital staff.

Mr. Byers was a 52-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of North Carolina to a 151-month sentence for Possession With Intent to Distribute at Least 28 Grams of Cocaine Base. He had been in custody at SPC Butner since November 5, 2019.

SPC Butner is a minimum security facility adjacent to FCI Butner I and currently houses 211 male offenders.

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