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Inmate Death at FCI Butner Medium I

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Tuesday, May 5, 2020, inmate James Myers was evaluated by institution medical staff at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Butner Medium I in Butner, North Carolina. On the same day, he was transported to a local hospital where he tested positive for COVID-19. Hospital staff monitored his condition and provided treatment. On Tuesday, June 2, 2020, in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, Mr. Myers was converted to a status of recovered following the completion of medical isolation and presenting with no symptoms.

On Monday, January 3, 2022, Mr. Myers was evaluated by institution medical staff for shortness of breath, hypotension, and fluid retention. Mr. Meyers tested negative for COVID-19 by institution medical staff prior to being transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. On January 19, 2022, Mr. Myers tested positive for COVID-19 while at the local hospital. Subsequently, on Tuesday, January 25, 2022, Mr. Myers who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased by hospital staff.

Mr. Myers was a 73-year-old male who was sentenced in the Southern District of Mississippi to a 360-month sentence for Images Containing Child Pornography & Possession of Child Pornography. He had been in custody at the Federal Correctional Complex Butner since February 28, 2017.

FCI Butner Medium I is a medium security facility that currently houses 567 male offenders.

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