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Inmate Death at FMC Butner

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Monday, January 24, 2022, inmate David Hinkson tested positive for COVID-19 at the Federal Medical Center (FMC) Butner in Butner, North Carolina and was placed in medical isolation. Institution medical staff monitored Mr. Hinkson's condition and provided treatment. On Thursday, January 27, 2022, Mr. Hinkson was transported to the outside hospital for presentation of increased weakness, hypotension, and dehydration. On Friday, February 4, 2022, Mr. Hinkson, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions, which the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased by hospital personnel.

Mr. Hinkson was a 65-year-old male who was sentenced in the District of Idaho to an aggregate 516-month sentence for Willful Failure to File Tax Return, Willful Failure to Collect Federal Tax, Mis-Branded Drug and Adulterated Device, Structuring Transactions to Avoid Reporting Requirements and Aiding and Abetting, and Solicitation to Commit a Crime of Violence. He had been in custody at FMC Butner since December 22, 2020.

FMC Butner is an administrative security facility and currently houses 853 male offenders.

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