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Inmate Death at FCI Oakdale II Satellite Camp

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Wednesday, April 15, 2020, inmate George Escamilla went into respiratory failure at the Satellite Prison Camp (SPC) in Oakdale, Louisiana. He was evaluated by institutional medical staff and transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. While in the hospital, Mr. Escamilla tested positive for COVID-19. On Thursday, April 30, 2020, his condition declined and he was placed on a ventilator. On Friday, May 8, 2020, Mr. Escamilla, 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. Escamilla was a 67-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of Texas to a 192-month sentence for Possession with Intent to Distribute 5 kilograms or more of Cocaine and Aiding and Abetting. He had been in custody at Federal Correctional Complex (FCC) Oakdale since May 9, 2018.

SPC Oakdale is a Minimum security facility adjacent to the Federal Correctional Institution Oakdale II and currently houses 71 male offenders.

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