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**Inmate Death at FCI Seagoville**

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Thursday, July 9, 2020, inmate Wendell Eaves tested positive for COVID-19 at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) in Seagoville, Texas, and was immediately placed in isolation. On Friday, July 10, 2020, he was evaluated for pneumonia by FCI Seagoville's medical staff and transferred the same day to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation. He was placed on a ventilator on Tuesday, August 25, 2020. On Sunday, August 30, 2020, Mr. Eaves, 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. Eaves was a 63-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of Louisiana to a 57-month sentence for Travel with Intent to Engage in Illicit Sexual Contact. He had been in custody at FCI Seagoville since November 8, 2018.

FCI Seagoville is a Low security facility that currently houses 1753 male offenders.

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