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## **Inmate Death at FCI Terminal Island**

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Sunday, April 26, 2020, inmate Daniel Spear tested positive for COVID-19, while incarcerated at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Terminal Island in Terminal Island, California. On Sunday, May 10, 2020, Mr. Spear, in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, was converted to a status of recovered following the completion of medical isolation and presenting with no symptoms.

On Monday, May 10, 2021, staff discovered Mr. Spear unresponsive. Staff immediately began life saving measures and called for emergency medical services (EMS) for assistance. Subsequently, Mr. Spear 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 EMS staff. Based on Mr. Spear's medical history, it was determined he likely experienced post-COVID complications.

Mr. Spear was a 55-year-old male who was sentenced in the District of Colorado to a 240-month sentence for Production of Child Pornography. Mr. Spear had been in custody at FCI Terminal Island since June 21, 2016.

FCI Terminal Island is a low security facility that currently houses 799 male offenders.

The Bureau of Prisons will continue to provide daily updates and information on actions related to COVID-19 at <a href="www.bop.gov/coronavirus/index.jsp">www.bop.gov/coronavirus/index.jsp</a>.

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