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PATERSON MAN ARRESTED FOR SELF-INFLICTED GUNSHOT WOUND IN CONNECTION WITH APRIL 15, 2018 SHOOTING INVESTIGATION

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

APRIL 16, 2018

Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Paterson Police Chief Troy Oswald announce that based upon an investigation by the Paterson Police Department, in conjunction with the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office, Tabiis Sledge a 24-year-old Paterson resident, was arrested on April 16, 2018, in relation to a shooting incident that took place April 15, 2018, in the area of Doremus Street Paterson, NJ.

On April 15, 2018 at 12:02, a.m. members of the Paterson Police Department responded to Doremus Street Paterson, NJ on a reported shooting. The police located a 24-year-old male Paterson resident (later identified as Tabiis Sledge) in the area of Doremus Street and Kearney Street, who sustained a non-fatal gunshot wound. Mr. Sledge was immediately transported to Saint Joseph's Regional Medical Center in Paterson for treatment. The investigation has revealed and it is alleged that Mr. Sledge shot himself.

The sentencing exposure for Mr. Sledge on Second Degree, Unlawful Possession of a Handgun is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with a minimum of 42 months before parole eligibility pursuant to the Graves Act.

Mr. Sledge is scheduled to appear at Central Judicial Processing (CJP) Court located at 77 Hamilton Street in Paterson on Tuesday, April 17, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. The State intends to file a motion seeking the defendant's pretrial detention which will be heard by a Superior Court Judge.

A criminal complaint is merely an accusation. Despite an accusation, defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

The Passaic County Prosecutor's Office asks anyone with additional information about this incident to contact us on our tips line at 1-877-370-PCPO or tips@passaiccountynj.org or contact the Paterson Police Ceasefire Unit at 973-321-1342.

For media inquiries concerning this incident, contact Senior Assistant Prosecutor Seth Galkin of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office at sgalkin@passaiccountynj.org or at (973) 881-4849.



(Photo: Tabiis Sledge)