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U.S. Department of Justice Inspector General Michael E. Horowitz today issued the following statement:

“The Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General (DOJ OIG) is investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of inmate Jamel Floyd at the Metropolitan Detention Center (MDC) Brooklyn on or about June 3, 2020. Under the Inspector General Act, the DOJ OIG has jurisdiction to investigate incidents involving DOJ law enforcement components, which includes all Federal Bureau of Prisons personnel. In conducting the investigation, we will coordinate with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which initially responded to the incident according to standard protocol and with which the DOJ OIG frequently works on incidents in BOP facilities. Consistent with DOJ OIG and Department of Justice policy, we will be unable to provide further information until the investigation is complete, at which time we will publicly disclose our findings to the greatest extent possible, consistent with applicable laws.”

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