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Arrest Made in Shooting Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports detectives have obtained warrants for arrests in connection to the shooting that occurred at 1573 Bessemer Road on Friday, January 20, 2023.

The suspects have been identified as:

Jonathan Ellington (21), of Birmingham, Alabama.

Honijah Fletcher (22), of Birmingham, Alabama.

With assistance from the Real Time Crime Center the suspect vehicle observed entering Kimbrough Homes shortly after the shooting. West Precinct Task Force responded to the area and after a brief foot pursuit Ellington was taken into custody. Investigative leads led officers to the 1600 block of 52nd Street Ensley where Fletcher was taken into custody. Both suspects were placed on a 48-hour investigative hold at the Birmingham City Jail.

Detectives presented gathered information to the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office. After an assessment of the information, detectives obtained two warrants Attempted Murder for Ellington and two warrants for Attempted Murder and one warrant for Discharging a Firearm into an Occupied Dwelling for Fletcher.

Both Ellington and Fletcher will be transported to the Jefferson County Jail where they will be held without bond.

Shooting Investigation (Media Release 18)

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a shooting investigation. The incident occurred on Friday, January 20, 2023.

At 6:25 PM, officers were dispatched to 1573 Bessemer Road (Sun Inn), on a report of two people shot. A shot spotter notification was activated for the location as well.

Upon arrival officers observed an adult male and his 9-year-old daughter suffering from gunshot wounds. At this time, it is believed that only the child has life threatening injuries.

Preliminary investigation suggests this may have been a robbery attempt.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the Felony Assault Unit @ 205-254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 205-254-7777.

Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App on Android or IOS devices. Updates will be provided as information comes available.

******The information is based on a preliminary and ongoing investigation, which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed**

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