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Arrest Made in the Lekilo Cummings Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports detectives have obtained a warrant for an arrest in connection to the murder of Lekilo Cummings. Lekilo Cummings was shot and killed on **Sunday, July 2, 2023**, in the 2700 Block of Republic Boulevard.

The suspect is a 14-year-old female, whose name is withheld.

On **Wednesday, July 19, 2023**, Birmingham Police detectives presented information on the case to Jefferson County Family Court officials. After an assessment of the information, detectives obtained a **Pickup Order** for the juvenile.

On **Thursday, July 20, 2023**, BPD officers took the suspect into custody; she was transported to the G Ross Bell Youth Detention Center.

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Homicide Investigation

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The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Sunday, July 2, 2023.

The victim has been identified as:
Lekilo Mason Cummings, (33), B/M of Birmingham, Alabama.

At approximately 5:21 PM, West Precinct Officers were responding to a call of a person shot in the 2700 Block of Republic Blvd.

Officers arrived on the scene and observed an adult male unresponsive, lying in the parking lot, suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. Birmingham Fire and Rescue arrived on the scene and pronounced the victim deceased.

The preliminary investigation suggests an altercation ensued in the parking lot of a business that led to a shot being fired, wounding the victim.

This homicide is domestic in nature.

A person of interest was detained for questioning.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide 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 becomes available.

This is Birmingham's 61st murder investigation of 2023 with 5 justifiable death investigations. The Birmingham Police Department adheres to FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines set for all law enforcement agencies across the United States. FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines do not require law enforcement agencies to include justifiable death investigations in the total homicide investigations counts.

****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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