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PRESS RELEASE

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## **INFANT DEATH**

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a death that occurred on August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at approximately 2:00 P.M. This took place at the Fort Lauderdale Beach Place Hotel and Suites located at 3711 North Ocean Drive in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

On August 10<sup>th</sup>, Fort Lauderdale Police Officers were contacted by emergency room personnel at Broward General Medical Center. They advised a female was experiencing symptoms resulting from a recent pregnancy. The female told doctors that she recently had an abortion and her symptoms were a result of that procedure.

This female was identified as Alexandria Sladon-Marler, W/F, 03/17/1979. A medical evaluation of Sladon-Marler did not support her statement. Doctors informed investigators that Sladon-Marler recently gave birth and they were unsure of the baby's whereabouts.

Officers and detectives responded to the location where Sladon-Marler was originally transported from, Fort Lauderdale Beach Place Hotel and Suites, and noticed an unusual amount of blood throughout the hotel room. Officers subsequently located an infant who was wrapped in a towel and placed inside a pillowcase. The infant was found discarded in the hotel's exterior dumpster.

Sladon-Marler is still being treated at a nearby medical facility and will be charged accordingly once she has been released.

Investigators are urging anyone with further information to contact Detectives Mark Shotwell at 954-828-5517 or Jim Jagers at 954 828-5970.

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