

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Detective DeAnna Greenlaw Public Information Office (954) 828-5464 dgreenlaw@fortlauderdale.gov

December 11, 2014

DEATH INVESTIGATION

On January 30, 2014 at approximately 6:55 A.M., the Fort Lauderdale Police Department received a report of several undocumented immigrants arriving ashore in the area of the 1600 block of South Ocean Lane in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The immigrants, who were subsequently identified as Haitian Nationals, were turned over to agents with the United States Customs and Border Protection.

While conducting a search along the shore, members of the Fort Lauderdale Ocean Rescue located a male immigrant who appeared to be in distress. When the male was pulled from the water, life guards began to perform CPR. The male was transported to Broward Health Medical Center where he was later pronounced deceased.

The Broward County Medical Examiner's Office ruled his cause of death as a drowning.

Several attempts to identify this male were unsuccessful. The unidentified male is still being held at the Broward County Medical Examiner's Office.

Anyone who may know this individual or his family is encouraged to contact Detective Jim Jaggers at 954-828-5970.

