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PRESS RELEASE

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**AGGRAVATED BATTERY  
WITH A DEADLY WEAPON**

On December 6, 2008, at approximately 3:38 A.M., Fort Lauderdale Police Officers responded to Port Everglades regarding a stabbing which occurred at Lil Pub located at 353 Southwest 27 Avenue.

Preliminary investigation revealed that victims, Sheldon Williams and Dwayne Smith, were stabbed multiple times by Richard Tomlinson, 3/30/73. Kesnor Williams, 3/1/79, who is Sheldon's brother, stabbed Tomlinson. Sheldon Williams, Dwayne Smith, and Kesnor Williams were attempting to locate Broward General Hospital, when they got lost and ended up at Port Everglades.

Subsequent investigation revealed that Sheldon Williams and Richard Tomlinson were involved in an altercation. That is when Tomlinson stabbed Sheldon on the upper thigh and arm. Kesnor Williams then came over and stabbed Tomlinson in the face and chest causing severe injuries. The altercation then spilled outside Lil Pub where Tomlinson and Williams were in a stand off. Victim, Dwayne Smith, attempted to stop the fight and as a result was stabbed in the neck by Tomlinson.

All parties involved left in two separate vehicles. Tomlinson ended up at Florida Medical Center where he was airlifted to Broward General Medical Center for his injuries and is in stable condition. Williams and Smith ended up at Port Everglades where they were transported to Broward General Medical Center by EMS. Williams was treated and released. Smith underwent emergency surgery for his injuries and is currently in stable condition in the ICU.

Kesnor Williams was arrested and charged with Aggravated Battery with a Deadly Weapon. Richard Tomlinson was arrested and charged with Attempted Murder and Aggravated Battery with Deadly Weapon.

At this time the investigation continues. Anyone with information regarding this crime is encouraged to contact Detective Jason Wood at 954-828-5344 or Broward Crime Stoppers 954-493-TIPS.



Richard Tomlinson



Kesnor Williams

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