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The Honorable Wes Moore  
Governor  
State House  
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Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable Bill Ferguson  
President of the Senate  
The Senate of Maryland  
State House, H-107  
Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones  
Speaker of the House  
Maryland House of Delegates  
State House, H-101  
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: Report Required by the Correctional Services Article 9-602.1 (MSAR#15263)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with the Correctional Services Article, Section 9-602.1, the Maryland Department of State Police (MDSP) submits to you the information required regarding the number of investigations completed by the Department of State Police relating to the death of an incarcerated individual suspected to be a homicide that occurs while the incarcerated individual is in the custody of the Division of Correction. Further, the Department submits to you the number of cases referred for prosecution following these completed investigations. The information below represents the following time frame, January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

The MDSP completed three homicide investigations that occurred within the Division of Correction and its facilities. In each of these cases, the victim was incarcerated within the Division of Correction and the death was ruled as a homicide. In regards to prosecution, all three homicide investigations were referred for prosecution. Two cases resulted in charges and both suspects have since pleaded guilty. The third investigation has been referred to the local State's Attorney's Office and is pending a decision to be prosecuted criminally.

In addition to its required submission to the Governor's Office and to the Maryland General Assembly, this information has been posted on the Department's website: [MSP Website - Documents, Forms, Publications and Proactive Releases](#). The Department remains committed to keeping the state of Maryland informed on this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Roland L. Butler, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Colonel Roland L. Butler, Jr.  
Superintendent

cc: Ms. Sarah Albert, Maryland Department of Legislative Services Library (5 copies)