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NAME: **MCGHEE, RAMON PRENTISS**  
DOB: 2/19/1981  
CLIENT: ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY FOUNDATION, INC.  
(LISA SHAHAN CHOAT/MOTHER)  
REPORT DATE: 2/4/2024

ACCESSION NO.: **MLA24-00004**  
EXPIRATION DATE: 1/10/2024  
AUTOPSY DATE: 2/4/2024

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**PROVISIONAL FINDINGS OF SECOND AUTOPSY**

**EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:**

Un-embalmed, well-developed, emaciated, dehydrated Black male.  
Refer to the Evidence of Injury.  
Early decomposition changes involving the head and trunk.

**IDENTIFICATION:**

- (a) Multiple tattoos of the head, the neck, and the extremities.
- (b) "Ramon McGhee" #24-0072, on the Body bag.

**EVIDENCE OF INJURY:**

**EVIDENCE OF SEVERE NEGLECT:**

**I. EVIDENCE OF SEVERE MALNUTRITION/STARVATION/MARASMUS AND WEIGHT LOSS:**

- (a) Markedly loose skin of the chest, abdomen, back, buttocks, and upper and lower extremities.
- (b) Weight at second autopsy – January 4, 2024: Weight 115 lbs.; Height 175 cm.
- (c) Severe chronic anemia: Admission Hgb: 2.8 gm/dL; after packs of RBC transfusion: Hgb 7.3 gm/dL.

**II. EVIDENCE OF SEVERE DEHYDRATION/MARKED LOSS OF SKIN TURGOR, GENERALIZED/MARKED SUNKEN EYES:**

- (a) Volume Depletion (Blood and extremities).
- (b) Creatinine on 1/10/2024: 2.78 mg/dL and Blood Urea Nitrogen 35 mg/dL (Normal 7-18 mg/dL).
- (c) Lactic acidosis, clinical (Blood lactic acid: 20.9).
- (d) Organ Failure/Severe Sepsis, Clinical (1/10/2024).
- (e) Stat eGFR CKD-EPI: 37.4 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup> (Normal > = 60.0) consistent with Moderate Kidney Disease - All results on 1/10/2024.
- (f) Fasting plasma glucose 118 mg/dL – consistent with impaired fasting glucose.
- (g) Urea Nitrogen/Creatinine ratio > 20:1 (Pre-renal azotemia with renal failure).
  - i. No evidence of congestive heart failure (CHF) is identified.
  - ii. No evidence of urinary tract obstruction is identified.

**III. EVIDENCE OF ENTOMOLOGICAL FINDINGS:**

- (a) EXTENSIVE AND SEVERE BODY INSECT INFESTATION(S) INCLUDING: Pediculus Humanus (body louse) and bed bugs and innumerable insects involving the head hair, face, facial hair, nose, mouth, chest, pubic area, arms, and legs, clinical and police investigation.
- (b) Multiple insect stages identified in the Body bag.

**IV. EVIDENCE OF SUPERINFECTIONS:**

- (a) MULTIPLE HEALED AND HEALING EXCORIATIONS AND INFECTIOUS SKIN DISEASE INVOLVING: the head, torso, and extremities.
- (b) Organ failure with severe sepsis, clinical.

**V. EVIDENCE OF POOR GROOMING:**

- (a) Dirt and filth involving fingernails and toe nails, severe, with uncut, claw-like toe nails and fingernails.
- (b) Dirt and filth involving the feet, clinical.

**VI. EXTENSIVE SOILING WITH FECES AND EXCREMENT OVER THE BODY.****VII. EVIDENCE OF EXSICCOSIS:**

- (a) Dry fatty tissue, skin folds remaining elevated, dry and scabby tongue.
- (b) Chest and abdominal panniculus: 1.00 cm thick.

**VIII. EVIDENCE OF IMMOBILIZATION:**

- (a) Contractures of the ankle joints.

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## **EVIDENCE OF RECENT MEDICAL THERAPY:**

- A. Y-shaped thoraco-abdominal incision and occipital intermastoid incision with sutures related to the first autopsy.
- B. Hospital and MEO's Name tags on the body.

## **INTERNAL EXAMINATION:**

### **MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM:**

Refer to the Evidence of Injury.

### **EVIDENCE OF STARVATION/EMACIATION/MALNUTRITION:**

- (a) Both legs measure respectively 11.0 cm in circumferential diameter around the calf.
- (b) Both thighs measure respectively 15.0 cm in circumferential diameter.

### **RESPIRATORY SYSTEM:**

- A. Marked hyperemia of the larynx, trachea, and bronchi.
- B. Patchy areas of consolidative bronchopneumonia with rubbery atelectasis all lobes of both lungs (sections submitted for microscopic evaluation).
- C. No gross evidence of tumor or malignancy or granulomata formation.

### **CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM:**

- A. No significant atherosclerosis of the epicardial coronary arteries.
- B. No gross evidence of acute myocardial infarction or hemorrhagic necrosis of the myocardium.
- C. Left ventricular wall (LVFW) is 1.0 cm thick and right ventricular wall (RV) is 0.3 cm thick and interventricular ventricular wall is 1.0 cm thick.

### **HEMIC SYSTEM:**

Refer to the Evidence of Injury.

Marked pallor of the mucous membranes including the oral cavity.

Marked pallor of the hands, feet, and the visceral organs, and the subcutaneous tissues.

Marked pallor of the bone marrows of the ribs and clavicles.

Marked pallor of the sternum (chest plate).

### **GASTROINTESTINAL SYSTEM:**

Esophagus is empty without fluids.

Stomach is virtually empty and exhibits dilated mucosal vessels and patchy erosions.

The lumens of the small and large intestines are virtually empty with no contents or fluids.

Severe fatty liver.

**GENITOURINARY SYSTEM:**

Acute passive congestion of both kidneys.  
Refer to the Evidence of Injury.

**ENDOCRINE SYSTEM:**

Refer to the Evidence of Injury.

**CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM:**

Generalized atrophy of the brain (Brain Weight: 550 gm).  
Hypoxic/Anoxic encephalopathy, clinical.  
Acute cerebral edema and congestion.  
No gross evidence of tumor or malignancy or granulomata formation is identified.  
No acute subdural or subarachnoid hemorrhages are identified.

**ORGANS OF SPECIAL SENSE(S):**

EYES: Collapsed due to aspiration of vitreous fluid from both eyes at the first autopsy.  
EARS: Not remarkable.

**NECK ORGANS:**

Marked hyperemia of the larynx, trachea, and bronchi.  
No fractures of the hyoid bone or laryngeal cartilages are identified.

**TOXICOLOGY:**

Liver, spleen, and kidney tissues are submitted to Department of Forensic Toxicology, St. Louis University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri, for comprehensive toxicology.

**SUMMARY**

In view of the clinical history and the findings at the second autopsy, the cause of death in this Black male, Ramon Prentiss McGhee, is severe neglect with malnutrition, dehydration, severe body insect infestation(s) and complications. The manner of death is homicide.

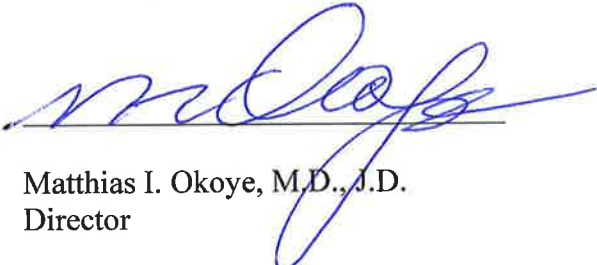
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**THE ABOVE FINDINGS ARE ONLY PRELIMINARY; AND THE TOXICOLOGY, HISTOLOGY, AND OTHER STUDIES, AND THE REVIEW OF THE FIRST AUTOPSY REPORT, AUTOPSY PHOTOS, POLICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS, CRIME SCENE PHOTOS, ETC. ARE STILL PENDING AND THE FINAL SECOND AUTOPSY REPORT WILL BE ISSUED AFTER THESE HAVE BEEN REVIEWED IN SEVERAL WEEKS.**

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