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UPDATE: PATERSON MAN ARRESTED FOR 8/13/17 SHOOTING

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

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Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Deputy Paterson Police Chief Heriberto Rodriguez announce that based upon an investigation by the Paterson Police Department, in conjunction with the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office, Eugeonce S. Coleman, 25 years old, from Paterson, N.J., was arrested on August 19, 2017 for the charges of Attempted Murder, first degree; Unlawful Possession of a Weapon, first degree; Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose, second degree; Certain Persons not to Possess Weapons, second degree; Unlawful Possession of a Weapon, second degree; Aggravated Assault, fourth degree; Aggravated Assault, third degree; and Aggravated Assault, second degree.

On August 13, 2017, at approximately 2:56 a.m., Paterson police officers responded to a shooting incident at a large block party located at 226 17th Avenue in Paterson. As a result, a 29-year-old female Paterson resident was treated at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center Hospital in Paterson for a single gunshot wound. Based on the investigation, Mr. Coleman was identified as the suspect.

The sentencing exposure on First Degree Attempted Murder is 10-20 years New Jersey State Prison with 85% of that term to be served before parole eligibility pursuant to the No Early Release Act, five years parole supervision thereafter; on First Degree Unlawful Possession of a Firearm it is 10-20 years New Jersey State Prison with a minimum of 3 ½ years before parole eligibility pursuant to the Graves Act; on Second Degree Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with a minimum of 3 ½ years before parole eligibility pursuant to the Graves Act; on Second Degree Certain Persons not to Possess Weapons it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with 5 years of parole ineligibility pursuant to the Graves Act; on Second Degree Unlawful Possession of a Weapon it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with a minimum of 3 ½ years before parole eligibility pursuant to the Graves Act; on Fourth Degree Aggravated Assault it is 18 months New Jersey State Prison; on Third Degree Aggravated Assault it is 3-5 years New Jersey State Prison; on Second Degree Aggravated Assault it is 5-10 years New Jersey State Prison with 85% of that term to be served before parole eligibility pursuant to the No Early Release Act, three years parole supervision thereafter.

Eugeonce S. Coleman is scheduled to appear at Central Judicial Processing on August 21, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. The State intends to file a motion for pretrial detention in this matter that will be heard by a Superior Court Judge.

A criminal complaint is merely an accusation. Despite this accusation, defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

The Passaic County Prosecutor's Office asks anyone with additional information about this incident to contact us on our tips line at 1-877-370-PCPO or tips@passaiccountynj.org or contact the Paterson Police Ceasefire Unit at 973-321-1342.

For media inquiries concerning this case, contact Assistant Prosecutor Seth Galkin of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office at sgalkin@passaiccountynj.org or at (973) 881-4849.



(Photo: Eugeonce S. Coleman)