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Mall Patron Cleared of Charges in Fatal Shooting

*Charges to be determined against 16 year old*

DAYTON, OH (1/9/2015) – Prosecutor Mat Heck, Jr. announced that a shopper has been cleared of any felony criminal charges related to the fatal shooting of a juvenile outside the Dayton Mall on December 20, 2014.

On the morning of December 20, 2014, three teens from Middletown, Ohio were at the Dayton Mall. One of the teens, 16-year-old Jawaad Jabbar, displayed a fully operable and loaded firearm in an attempt to commit an armed robbery of an adult. The adult, a valid CCW permit holder, pulled out his own firearm and fatally shot the teen after firing one time.

The adult shooter stayed at the scene of the shooting and fully cooperated with Miami Township Police Officers when they arrived. After reviewing the available evidence, the adult shooter’s claim of self-defense was confirmed. Therefore, no felony criminal charges will be approved against the adult.

Two juveniles, ages 16 and 17, were subsequently arrested. They were taken to the Montgomery County Juvenile Justice Center on charges of murder and aggravated robbery. Under Ohio law, an individual can be culpable for any death that occurs during the commission of an aggravated robbery, including the death of an accomplice.

The Police investigation yielded insufficient evidence that the 17 year old was part of the robbery. Therefore, at this time there is insufficient evidence to charge him with a crime, and the teen has been released.

Once the Miami Township Police Department has completed further investigation, Assistant Prosecutors will meet with the detectives to review the evidence and determine what charges will be approved against the remaining teen, 16 year old Keyan Moore, of Middletown.

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