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Suffolk Police Cold Case Unit Makes Arrest in

Fourteen Year Old Homicide

SUFFOLK, Va. (October 8, 2008) On October 8, 2008, the Suffolk Police Department Cold Case Unit, Fairfax County Police and the Alexandria Police arrested Alim Naqi An'nur aka Shane Whitfield for the February 26, 1994 murder of Domoniky Mizzelle. The homicide occurred at the corner of Factory Street and Kissimmee Ave in the City of Suffolk.

The victim, Domoniky Mizzelle age 15, died from a gunshot wound. The initial investigation was conducted by Detective J.K. Cooke, who is now an investigator with the Office of the Commonwealth Attorney, and several other detectives. The case was not resolved at that time due to the lack of information.

The case was assigned to the Cold Case unit and was reopened recently when new leads were established. The arrest comes as a result new information provided by eye witnesses to the incident. Detective Gary Myrick and Detective Sgt. Steve Smith handled the recent investigation. Sgt. Smith subsequently retired last month. Captain Stephanie Burch credits the hard work of the investigator in the year old Cold Case Unit for the arrest. "We are thrilled at the work that this newly formed unit is doing," advised Burch. "By bringing these offenders to justice, this unit has brought some sense of closure to a number of victims' families. That is the most rewarding aspect of our profession", she added.

The Suffolk Police Department Cold Case Unit confirmed the information and submitted the case to a grand jury for indictments. Alim Naqi An'nur aka Shane Whitfield was charged with one count of First Degree Murder, one count of Use of a Firearm in the Commission of Murder, one count of Shoot from a Vehicle, and one count Shoot, Cut, Stab or Wound.

Whitfield was arrested at his place of employment in Alexandria, Virginia. He is being held with no bond.

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