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NEWS RELEASE

Two Charged in Death of Three-Month-Old Child

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[December 21, 2015, Edgewood, MD] Detectives with the Harford County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division have charged two people in connection to the death of a three-month-old boy.

Keith D. Griffin, 26, of Edgewood, and the child's biological mother, Aja M. Terry, 26, of Edgewood, were both charged Friday in connection with the death of Aaman Perez. Both have been charged by deputies with first degree homicide, first degree child abuse, and first degree assault.

At approximately 9:40 am, on December 16, 2015, patrol deputies from the Harford County Sheriff's Office Southern Precinct were called to a home in the 1800 block of Eloise Lane, for the report of a child in cardiac arrest. Initial reports indicated the child was choking. Responding deputies discovered the infant unresponsive, and immediately began life-saving efforts. Medics from the Joppa Magnolia Volunteer Fire Company arrived at the home and took over care from deputies. Medics transported Aaman to Upper Chesapeake Medical Center where he was pronounced dead at 10:25 a.m.

The investigation into Aaman's death was assumed by detectives from the Harford County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division. Deputies from the Forensic Services Unit processed the scene for evidence while detectives conducted numerous interviews. The infant's body was transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner where an autopsy was performed Thursday. As a result of the autopsy, it was determined that the cause of death was head trauma and the manner of death was homicide.

Two other children belonging to Perry, Aaman's twin brother and a five year old boy, have been placed in the custody of Child Protective Services.

Both Griffin and Terry fled the area before deputies were able to take them into custody.

Around 6 a.m. Sunday morning, officers with the New Castle County Police Department, and deputies with the US Marshalls Service, arrested Terry in Newark, Delaware. She is

currently being held in the State of Delaware awaiting extradition. Griffin, who is not in police custody, remains wanted for his involvement in Aaman's death.

This investigation is active and ongoing while sheriff's detectives pursue additional evidence and leads into the death of Aaman.

Anyone with information regarding the crime, or Griffin's whereabouts, is asked to call Detective Yeagy at 443-409-3420. Those who wish to remain anonymous may report their information through the methods listed below. If the information you provide leads to the arrest and indictment of the individuals responsible for this crime, you may be eligible for a cash reward up to \$2,000.00.

Submit a tip online at	http://www.harfordsheriff.org/wanted
Text message:	Metro Crime Stoppers: Text "CRIMES" (274637) Begin the message "MCS," then add the information.
Phone:	Harford Crime Solvers: Call 1-888-540-8477

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