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Budgetel Inn & Suites Murder Investigation

On November 16, 2025 at 7:19 p.m., Columbus Police Officers responded to the 3100 block of Victory Drive (Budgetel Inn & Suites) in reference to a shooting. Responding officers discovered a Black male (later identified as Xavier Igus, 31) suffering from a gunshot wound. EMS responded to the scene and transported the victim to Piedmont Columbus Regional where he succumbed to his injuries. An emergency room doctor pronounced him deceased at 8:04 p.m.

The Violent Crimes Unit was called to the scene to take lead on the investigation.

Anyone with information on this case is urged to contact Cpl. Crystal Talley at 706-225-3161 or talley.crystal@columbusga.org. You can remain anonymous.

