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ILLINOIS STATE POLICE ARREST SUPPECTS INVOLVED IN **EXPRESSWAY SHOOTINGS**

Chicago, IL - Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) Agents arrested and charged Kewon D. Smith, a 30-year-old male of Chicago, Illinois for two counts of Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm (Class 1 Felony) and Quinton M. Dixon, a 22 year-old-male of Chicago, Illinois for one count of First-Degree Murder (Class X Felony). These two individuals were charged as a result of two separate incidents.

On June 19, 2021, at approximately 4:38 p.m., ISP District Chicago responded to a local police department to investigate a reported expressway shooting that occurred on June 18, 2021, at approximately 10:40 p.m., on Interstate 290 eastbound near 17th Street in Maywood. The victim vehicle was struck by gunfire while traveling in the area near the offending vehicle. The driver and passenger of the victim vehicle did not sustain any injuries. ISP VCU agents initiated an investigation that culminated in the arrest of Kewon D. Smith, for Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm. On Feb. 24, 2022, the Cook County State's Attorney's office approved two counts of Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm (Class 1 Felony) against Smith. Smith was taken into custody at the Cook County Jail and has since been released. There is no further information available at this time.

On May 22, 2021, at approximately 12:07 a.m., ISP officers responded to a reported expressway shooting on Interstate 290 westbound ramp to Austin Avenue. Upon arrival, Troopers located an unresponsive victim with a gunshot wound located inside a vehicle on Interstate 290 westbound at Austin Avenue. The victim was transported to an area hospital where he was pronounced deceased. ISP VCU agents initiated an investigation that culminated in the arrest of Quinton M. Dixon, for First-Degree Murder. On Feb. 28, 2022, after a thorough investigation, ISP DCI Agents and the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) Violent Crimes Task Force executed an arrest warrant on Dixon and he was taken into custody at his residence in Lyons, Illinois. The Cook County State's Attorney's office approved one count of First-Degree Murder (Class X Felony) against Dixon. Dixon remains in custody at the Cook County Jail, where he awaits bond hearing. There is no further information available at this time.

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“The Illinois State Police is committed to making the Chicagoland Expressways a safer place for our citizens,” said **ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly**. “We will continue to focus our efforts and all of our resources to apprehending these dangerous criminals who cause havoc and devastation to our community.”



Kewon D. Smith (M/30)



Quinton M. Dixon (M/22)

The public is reminded that all persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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