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NEWS RELEASE **HOMICIDE – Lamplight Court** January 23, 2018 0330hrs

On Monday January 22, 2018 at 11:29pm, London Police were dispatched to a report of shots fired at an apartment complex located on Lamplight Ct. in London. Officers located two male individuals that had been shot outside of an apartment near 10C Lamplight Ct. Another male victim with a gunshot wound, was transported by a neighbor to Madison Health in London. He was subsequently transported to OSU Medical Center in Columbus. Madison County EMS transported one victim to Madison Health, who was then transferred to Grant Hospital in Columbus where he died. The other victim was pronounced dead at the scene. A fourth male individual suspected of being involved was later reported to have been treated at a Springfield hospital with gunshot wounds. All parties involved were adult males.

No names are being released at this time pending notifications. The London Police are investigating the incident with the Madison County Coroner's Office, along with the assistance of agents from Ohio BCI&I, Madison County Sheriff's Office and the Madison County Prosecutor's Office. More information will be released as soon as it is available.

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Preliminary investigation leads investigators to believe this was a home invasion by two males while the two other males were residents. Once inside the residence gunfire was exchanged and continued outside the residence, leaving one resident killed at the scene and one assailant who died after being transported to a hospital. The other assailant fled the scene, while the other resident was transported by a neighbor to Madison Health. We are continuing to investigate the incident and are not able to name the second suspect at this time.

The resident that was injured and is in stable condition at OSU is: Zachary A. Edmond, 28 yoa, 10C Lamplight Court, London.

The resident that was killed is: William M. Benson, 28yoa, also residing at 10C Lamplight Ct.

The suspect that was killed is: Justin G. Coffey, 24yoa, last reported address of 145 Liberty St, London.

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