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UPDATE
UNTIMELY DEATH INVESTIGATION

On 05/16/2004 State Police Troop-C received a 911 call from hikers reporting that the body of a male victim was observed floating in the water of Lake Shenipit on the Ellington side of the lake. Troopers from Troop-c responded and the Ellington Fire department also responded.

The male victim was removed from the water. It was determined that the male victim was reported missing to State Police on 01/10/04 when he left his home. At that time his vehicle was located by Shenipsit Lake. State Police and Fire Department personnel searched the lake area at that time and did not find the missing man.

State Police Detectives initial examination showed no apparent criminal aspect to this death. The victim was transported to the Office of the Chief State's Medical Examiner for a post mortem examination.

The victim has tentatively been identified by State Police Detectives as Raymond Derito DOB: 09/20/63.

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