Man Arrested in Connection to Ongoing New Bedford Homicide Probe

An individual connected to the Monday morning homicide of 20-year-old Lorenzo Gomes has been arrested as the active investigation into the slaying continues, District Attorney Thomas M. Quinn III announced.

On Monday evening, Sterling Robinson, 24, of New Bedford, was located and apprehended in Fall River by members of the Massachusetts State Police Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section. An arrest warrant sought by District Attorney Quinn's office had issued for the defendant earlier in the day.

Mr. Robinson is currently charged with Accessory to Murder-After the Fact. He is being held in jail through the holiday and will be arraigned tomorrow morning in New Bedford District Court.

Massachusetts State Police detectives assigned to the district attorney's office, New Bedford Police and Homicide Unit prosecutors are actively investigating a homicide, which occurred early Monday morning in the City of New Bedford.

At around 12:11 am Monday, New Bedford Police received a 911 call regarding shots fired in the area of Tallman and North Front streets.

Responding officers were approached by witnesses who reported hearing loud bangs that sounded like gun shots. Several officers searched the surrounding area and eventually located the victim inside his vehicle on Belleville Avenue.

The victim, later identified as Lorenzo Gomes, 20, of New Bedford, appears to have attempted to drive to the hospital

before losing consciousness in his vehicle. EMS rushed him to Saint Luke's Hospital, where he was later pronounced deceased.

The investigation into the homicide is extremely active at this time and no further information can be released.