**PUBLIC INFORMATION RELEASE REPORT**

1. STATION
   - PSP Franklin

2. INCIDENT NO.
   - PA21-1648026

3. INVESTIGATING OFFICER
   - Trooper Andrew HAGAN

4. NATURE OF INCIDENT
   - Homicide

5. DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT
   - 12/12/21 approximately 0100 - 0226

6. LOCATION
   - Carls Road, Rockland Township, Venango County PA

7. PERSON(S) INVOLVED
   - **Victim:** Peter Bernardo SPENCER B/N-M – 29 yoa of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
   - **Suspect:** Known

8. INCIDENT DETAILS

   **Updated News Release:** On 12/12/21 at approximately 0226 hours, PSP Franklin Station members responded to 279 Carls Road, Rockland Township, Venango County for a report of a shooting. Upon arrival at the scene, the victim, identified as Peter Bernardo SPENCER, B/N-M, 29 yoa of Pittsburgh, PA, was found deceased in the front yard of the residence due to apparent gunshot wounds to his body. The suspect, a W/N-M, 25 yoa and three additional identified individuals were detained and questioned at the Franklin PSP station. All persons were released after consultation with the Venango County District Attorney pending additional investigation. Multiple firearms, ballistic evidence, controlled substances were seized from the scene. Criminal Investigators from the Troop E Major Case Team were activated for this investigation. Members of Heritage Affairs were notified of this incident. No charges have been filed as of 12/29/21.

   An autopsy was completed on 12/14/21. Autopsy results from the Forensics Pathologist are pending. This investigation is still ongoing pending autopsy results, toxicology reports, ballistic reports, and lab results. Upon conclusion of this investigation the Venango County District Attorney will review the case and all forensic reports and make a charging recommendation. The Pennsylvania State Police requests the public to remain patient, we are actively investigating this incident and are providing all investigative updates to the District Attorney’s office as appropriate. Anyone with any information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact Trooper HAGAN at PSP Franklin 814-676-6596. Media is encouraged to contact PIO Tpr. Michelle Magee-Morrison at Franklin PSP or Tpr. Heather Kittle at Erie PSP.