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## ***Four Correction Officers Injured in Assault at Livingston Correctional Facility***

### ***Inmate Attacked Officers During Escort***

**Livingston, NY** –Three correction officers and one sergeant were injured on July 6 at Livingston Correctional Facility after they were attacked by an inmate that was being escorted to a Special Housing Unit.

The assault occurred at approximately 4:00 PM at the medium security correctional facility. The inmate, Jared Washington, had made inappropriate comments to a female correction officer. As discipline for the comments, he was ordered to be placed in a Special Housing Unit.

A response team, consisting of the three officers and sergeant, went to the inmate's dorm cube to escort him out of the dorm to the Special Housing Unit. Initially they couldn't find Inmate Washington so they started to search the dorm. The officers located him hiding in the shower room.

Inmate Washington was ordered up against the shower wall so he could be frisked prior to the escort. He initially refused. After several more orders he complied and placed his hands on the wall.

When the officers approached him, Inmate Washington turned and grabbed the Sergeant's arm. He then began to kick and struggle with the Sergeant and three officers.

After a long struggle he was eventually brought under control and restraints were applied.

During the attack one officer sustained cuts and bruising to his face and nose. A second officer sustained a sprained back and the third officer sustained an injured knee and shoulder. The Sergeant sustained an injured wrist.

All four officers were transported to a local hospital where they were treated and released for their injuries.

Inmate Washington, 22, was transferred to Groveland Correctional Facility. He is serving a five year sentence after being convicted in Queens County in 2014 for Robbery 1<sup>st</sup>. He has a lengthy disciplinary record at the facility.

“This assault is just one of many that have occurred over the past several days in prisons in the western region. That spike is a clear indication that the prisons are as violent as ever and more needs to be done to protect our officers. This assault is a prime example of why we have been trying to educate the public of the dangers with our informational pickets across the region”, said Joe Miano, Western Region Vice President.

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