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Pursuant to 2006 JCR Page 133

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RE: Joint Chairmen's Report – Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services- Fourth Quarterly Inmate Assault Report

Dear Chairmen:

Enclosed please find the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services' Quarterly Report on Inmate Assault Data for the fourth quarter (April 1, 2007, through June 30, 2007) required by budget language on page 133 of the 2006 Joint Chairmen's Report. This is the ninth report in this series of quarterly reports.

The enclosed report includes assault data for the Division of Correction, the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services, and the Patuxent Institution. It also includes descriptions of the categories of assaults used in the Department's new collection software – Facility Incident Reporting Manager (FIRM) as well as an acronym listing in Attachment 1. This report will complete the Department's requirement under the 2006 Joint Chairmen's report.

I hope this report is both informative and helpful. If the Department can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-339-5005.

Sincerely,

Gary D. Maynard  
Secretary

Enclosure

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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES**

**Quarterly Report  
to the Joint Chairmen on  
Inmate Assault Data**

July 2007

Pursuant to 2006 JCR Page 133

Martin J. O'Malley, Governor  
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Gary D. Maynard, Secretary

## INTRODUCTION

This document serves as the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services' (the Department) ninth quarterly report. This report provides data for the fourth fiscal quarter of FY 2007, spanning the dates of April 1, 2007, through June 30, 2007. Appended to this report are four attachments: Attachment One is a list of official acronyms for correctional facilities used throughout the report; Attachment Two is the assault data charts for the Division of Correction; Attachment Three is the assault data charts for the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services; and Attachment Four is the assault data chart for the Patuxent Institution.

The Division of Correction (DOC) encompasses twenty-four facilities that house inmates serving sentences of twelve months or more. The Division of Pretrial Detention and Services (DPDS) has served as the detention center and processing unit for the City of Baltimore since the early 1990's. The Division of Pretrial Detention and Services is separated into two major components – the Baltimore City Detention Center (BCDC) and the Baltimore Central Booking and Intake Center (BCBIC). The Patuxent Institution serves as the correctional facility providing inpatient and outpatient mental health services for the Division of Correction.

### I. CATEGORIES OF ASSAULT

The Facility Incident Reporting Manager (FIRM) uses seven categories for assaults. The categories are: Serious Physical Assault; Serious Weapon Assault; Sexual Assault; Less Serious Physical Assault; Less Serious Weapon Assault; Bodily Fluid Assault; Inappropriate Physical Contact; and Homicides. A serious physical assault occurs when the resulting injury of the assault requires more than simple first aid<sup>1</sup> as a treatment. A serious weapon<sup>2</sup> assault is the same as a serious physical assault except the assailant used a weapon in the commission of the assault. A sexual assault<sup>3</sup> is defined as an actual or attempted sexual assault of another. A less serious physical assault occurs when there is either no injury or the resulting injury requires simple first aid as treatment. Attempted physical assaults are considered by the associated treatment level to be a less serious physical assault. A less serious weapons assault is the same as a less serious physical assault except that the assailant uses a weapon in the commission of the act. Bodily fluid assaults occur when an inmate transfers bodily fluid onto another person. An inappropriate physical contact<sup>4</sup> is defined as a deliberate, inappropriate physical contact that does not have the potential or intention of causing injury. Finally, a homicide occurs when there is a death of correctional staff member or an inmate/detainee that was deemed a homicide by investigation.

The level of injury is the determining factor with regard to serious or less serious assaults. If no injury resulted from the assault or if the injury only requires first aid; i.e., an ice pack, band-aid, and/or medication (Tylenol, Aspirin, Motrin), then the assault is considered less

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<sup>1</sup> Simple First Aid – Treatments such as ice packs, band-aids, medication (Aspirin, Tylenol, Motrin).

<sup>2</sup> Weapon – A gun, sharp object (used to inflict cutting type injury), pointed object (used to inflict stabbing type injury), solid/blunt object (thrown or used to hit), toxic or flammable fluid or substance.

<sup>3</sup> Sexual Assault – Any nonconsensual behavior that involves oral sex, anal intercourse, fondling genitals or breasts, or forcibly inserting an object into the victim's vagina and/or rectum. It does not include kicking, grabbing or punching genitals when the intent is to harm or debilitate rather than to sexually exploit.

<sup>4</sup> Inappropriate Physical Contact – Any deliberate inappropriate physical contact that does not have the potential or intention of causing injury. Includes touching, brushing up against, etc. to an extent that does not constitute a sexual assault or less serious physical assault.

serious. If the injury required treatment that was more than simple first aid, the assault is considered on the serious level.

## II. ANALYSIS OF ASSAULT DATA

The data in Attachments Two through Four demonstrate the actual numbers and categories of assaults in the two divisions and the Patuxent Institution. The Division of Correction had a total of 122 inmate-on-staff assaults, most of which were of the less serious physical assault and bodily fluid assault categories. The inmate-on-inmate assaults for the Division of Correction were 296 in number, of which a majority were of the same less serious physical assault category.

The Division of Pretrial Detention and Services' totals for inmate-on-staff assaults for this quarter were 19. The assaults were mostly of the less serious physical assault category. As seen in Attachment Three, the inmate-on-inmate assaults totaled 148 incidents, most of which were of the less serious physical category. There was one inmate homicide. The numbers reflected in Attachment Four are the Patuxent Institution numbers, which show the smallest number in total for assaults, but the facility has a much smaller population than the other two divisions. The Patuxent Institution experienced 13 inmate-on-staff assaults and 10 inmate-on-inmate assaults. Almost all of these assaults were of the less serious physical or less serious weapon assault category.

**TABLE 1: ASSAULT DATA FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES**

### **Inmate-on-Staff Assaults**

Serious Physical Assault	6	3.90%
Serious Weapon Assault	0	0.00%
Sexual Assault	3	1.95%
Less Serious Physical Assault	96	62.34%
Less Serious Weapon Assault	3	1.95%
Bodily Fluid Assault	41	26.62%
Inappropriate Physical Contact	5	3.25%
Homicide	0	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>100%</b>

### **Inmate-on-Inmate Assaults**

Serious Physical Assault	27	5.95%
Serious Weapon Assault	50	11.01%
Sexual Assault	5	1.10%
Less Serious Physical Assault	281	61.89%
Less Serious Weapon Assault	83	18.28%
Bodily Fluid Assault	7	1.54%
Inappropriate Physical Contact	0	0.00%
Homicide	1	0.23%
<b>Total</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>100%</b>

### III. CONCLUSION

The 2005 Joint Chairmen's Report required the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to report quarterly, beginning July 1, 2005, on inmate assaults for the correctional and detention facilities. The same language was introduced in the 2006 Joint Chairmen's Report and is as follows:

*The committees are concerned about the number of assaults on fellow inmates and staff in Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS) institutions. The committees direct DPSCS to continue submitting quarterly reports on inmate assaults to the committees. The report should examine both inmate-on-inmate assaults and inmate-on-staff assaults, and should detail the level of severity of the assaults.*

The Department developed and instituted the use of new software designed to collect assault data and eliminate some of the human error variations in the collection method used prior to July 1, 2004. The new software is the Facility Incident Reporting Manager (FIRM). The use of FIRM eliminated the use of the Offender Based State Correctional Information System (OBSCIS) for data collection and reporting on inmate assault incidents. FIRM has established a consistent method for data collection for all of the correctional and detention facilities. It has also established consistent definitions and categories for reporting the data collected.

## **ATTACHMENT ONE**

## **DIVISION OF CORRECTION FACILITIES**

### **BALTIMORE/JESSUP REGION**

MHC	-	Maryland House of Correction (Closed on March 19, 2007)
JCI	-	Jessup Correctional Institution (Formerly Maryland House of Correction-Annex)
MCIJ	-	Maryland Correctional Institution – Jessup
MTC	-	Metropolitan Transition Center
MCAC	-	Maryland Correctional Adjustment Center
MRDCC	-	Maryland Reception, Diagnostic and Classification Center
BPRU	-	Baltimore Pre-Release Unit
HDU	-	Home Detention Unit
BCCC	-	Baltimore City Correctional Center
MCIW	-	Maryland Correctional Institution for Women
BPRUW	-	Baltimore Pre-Release Unit for Women
BBCF	-	Brock Bridge Correction Facility
JPRU	-	Jessup Pre-Release Unit
SMPRU	-	Southern Maryland Pre-Release Unit
EPRU	-	Eastern Pre-Release Unit
CLF	-	Central Laundry Facility
TBC	-	Herman L. Toulson Boot Camp

### **HAGERSTOWN REGION**

MCIH	-	Maryland Correctional Institution – Hagerstown
MCTC	-	Maryland Correctional Training Center
RCI	-	Roxbury Correctional Institution

### **EASTERN REGION**

ECI	-	Eastern Correctional Institution
ECI-A	-	Eastern Correctional Institution – Annex
PHPRU	-	Poplar Hill Pre-Release Unit

### **WESTERN REGION**

WCI	-	Western Correctional Institution
NBCI	-	North Branch Correctional Institution

## **DIVISION OF PRETRIAL AND DETENTION SERVICES FACILITIES**

BCBIC	-	Baltimore Central Booking and Intake Center
BCDC	-	Baltimore City Detention Center

## **ATTACHMENT TWO**



**Division of Correction**

**Inmate-on-Staff Assaults**

**Summary by Type**

**April 1, 2007, through June 30, 2007**

Source Data: Facility Incident Reporting Manager; 7/30/2007

	Serious Physical Assault	Serious Weapon Assault	Sexual Assault	Less Serious Physical Assault	Less Serious Weapon Assault	Bodily Fluid Assault	Inappropriate Physical Contact	Homicide	<b>TOTALS</b>
BCCC	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
BCF	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
BPRU	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
BPRUW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CLF	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
ECI	1	0	0	8	0	6	0	0	15
ECIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EPRU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JCI	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
JPRU	0	0	0	3	0	5	0	0	8
MCAC	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	7
MCIH	0	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	7
MCIJ	0	0	1	5	0	3	0	0	9
MCIW	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3
MCTC	1	0	1	4	1	1	0	0	8
MRDCC	0	0	0	6	0	0	1	0	7
MTC	0	0	0	13	0	5	3	0	21
NBCI	0	0	0	7	0	6	0	0	13
PHPRU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RCI	1	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	6
SMPRU	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
TBC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WCI	1	0	0	5	0	3	0	0	9
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>122</b>

**Division of Correction**

**Inmate-on-Inmate Assaults**

**Summary by Type**

**April 1, 2007, through June 30, 2007**

Source Data: Facility Incident Reporting Manager; 7/30/2007

	Serious Physical Assault	Serious Weapon Assault	Sexual Assault	Less Serious Physical Assault	Less Serious Weapon Assault	Bodily Fluid Assault	Inappropriate Physical Contact	Homicide	<b>TOTALS</b>
BCCC	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
BCF	0	4	0	3	11	0	0	0	18
BPRU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BPRUW	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
CLF	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	5
ECI	2	14	1	17	18	0	0	0	52
ECIA	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	4
EPRU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JCI	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
JPRU	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
MCAC	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
MCIH	1	11	0	12	2	1	0	0	27
MCIJ	3	3	0	18	9	0	0	0	33
MCIW	0	0	0	8	2	0	0	0	10
MCTC	0	3	0	32	8	0	0	0	43
MRDCC	3	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	8
MTC	3	2	1	13	1	0	0	0	20
NBCI	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	3
PHPRU	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
RCI	2	3	1	19	2	0	0	0	27
SMPRU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TBC	1	1	0	5	0	1	0	0	8
WCI	0	0	0	17	10	0	0	0	27
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>296</b>

## **ATTACHMENT THREE**

## Division of Pretrial Detention and Services

### Assault Data

April 1, 2007, through June 30, 2007

#### Inmate-on-Staff BCBIC

Source Data: Facility Incident Reporting Manager; 07/30/07

<b>Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Sexual Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Less Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Less Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Bodily Fluid Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Inappropriate Physical Contact</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Homicide</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2</b>

#### Inmate-on-Staff BCDC

<b>Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Sexual Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Less Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Less Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Bodily Fluid Assault</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Inappropriate Physical Contact</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Homicide</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>17</b>

<b>DPDS Total</b>	<b>19</b>
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## Division of Pretrial Detention and Services

### Assault Data

April 1, 2007, through June 30, 2007

#### Inmate- on- Inmate BCBIC

Source Data: Facility Incident Reporting Manager; 07/30/07

<b>Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Sexual Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Less Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Less Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Bodily Fluid Assault</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Inappropriate Physical Contact</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Homicides</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>52</b>

#### Inmate- on- Inmate BCDC

<b>Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Sexual Assault</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Less Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>66</b>
<b>Less Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Bodily Fluid Assault</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Inappropriate Physical Contact</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Homicides</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>96</b>

<b>DPDS Total</b>	<b>148</b>
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## **ATTACHMENT FOUR**

# Patuxent Institution

## Assault Data

April 1, 2007, through June 30, 2007

### Inmate-on-Staff

Source Data: Facility Incident Reporting Manager; 07/30/07

<b>Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Sexual Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Less Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Less Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Bodily Fluid Assault</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Inappropriate Physical Contact</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Homicides</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>13</b>

### Inmate-on-Inmate

<b>Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Sexual Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Less Serious Physical Assault</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Less Serious Weapon Assault</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Bodily Fluid Assault</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Inappropriate Physical Contact</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Homicides</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>10</b>