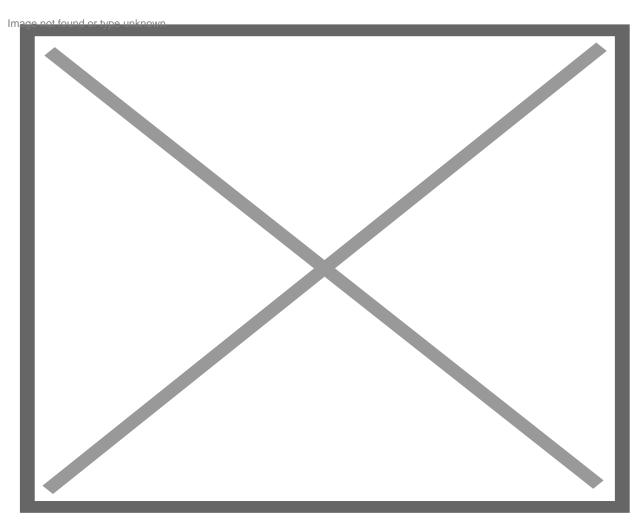
Surveillance Captures Man Removing Gun and Jewelry from Scene of Fatal Fort Mylner Shooting

Police say Riley, 27, was caught on surveillance removing jewelry and a firearm from the victim's vehicle following the June 14 shooting near KFC in Fort Mylner; he faces obstruction and weapons charges.

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Mugshot of Kemo Riley Jr. By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The V.I. Police Department has announced the arrest of 27-year-old Kemo Riley Jr. on multiple charges stemming from his actions following a <u>fatal shooting</u> near the KFC in Fort Mylner on June 14.

According to police, officers and detectives were dispatched to the scene following reports of a shooting. Upon arrival, video footage was reviewed, which showed that moments before the

incident, the male victim was seen wearing jewelry and carrying a crossbody bag. Initially, investigators believed that the shooting may have been motivated by robbery.

However, further review of the evidence revealed a different turn of events. Detectives say that after the victim was shot, Riley was seen approaching the crime scene, opening the victim's vehicle door, and removing items—specifically jewelry and a crossbody bag that contained a firearm. Riley did not contact law enforcement or notify 911 of his actions or the incident itself.

As a result, he was taken into custody and charged with obstruction of justice, unlicensed possession of a firearm, and willful concealment of evidence. His arrest took place on the same day of the offense, at approximately 6:00 p.m., and bail was set at \$50,000.

The VIPD has since identified the victim of the June 14 homicide as 29-year-old Everton G. Ralph Jr.

VIPD Director of Communications Glen Dratte acknowledged the recent uptick in criminal activity but emphasized that the department is meeting the moment. "We're swiftly arresting many of these suspects, which shows how prepared we are to respond to unlawful actions," he said.

The VIPD is urging anyone with information related to both incidents to call 911 or the Criminal Investigation Bureau. Tips can also be <u>shared anonymously</u> via Crime Stoppers VI at 1-800-222-8477. Officials stressed that all tips will be kept confidential.

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