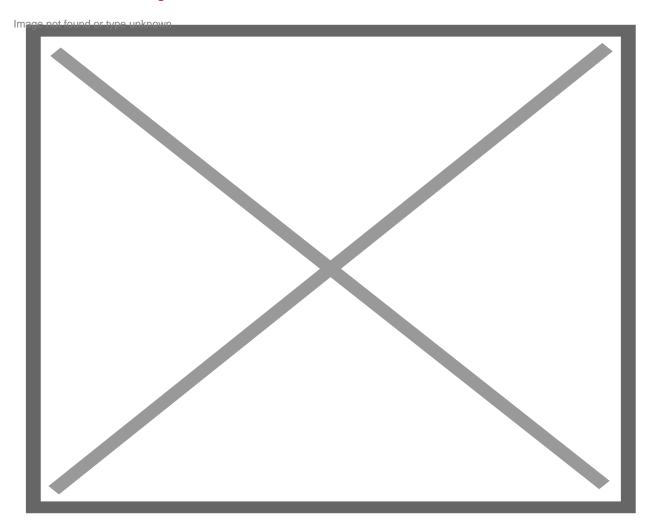
24-Year-Old Man Shot Dead Near Hotel in Christiansted as Gun Violence Continues to Rock St. Croix

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Scene of homicide at the Holger Danske Hotel on King Cross Street. By. VIPD

ST. CROIX — A 24-year-old man was gunned own in Christiansted Tuesday night, a killing that represented the third such death on St. Croix in four days. On Friday, two men were killed in separate shooting incidents on St. Croix, prompting police to hold a virtual press briefing to discuss the incident and call on the community to provide information.

According to V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Toby Derima, on Tuesday at approximately 10:22 p.m., the 911 Emergency Call Center received a report of shots fired at the Holger Danske Hotel on King Cross Street, Christiansted.

On arrival, officers discovered a deceased Black male with multiple gunshot wounds. The victim was identified as 24-year-old Rashawn Wyre.

St. Croix District Chief of Police Sidney Elskoe denounced this latest shooting. "It is disheartening to see another young life cut short by gun violence. We are appealing to the young men in our community to find alternate ways of resolving differences," Chief Elskoe said.

He urged anyone with information on this homicide to contact police by calling 911, the Crime TipLine at (340) 778-4950, or anonymously to Crime Stoppers USVI at (800) 222-TIPS, where you can get a reward for your tip.

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