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Man Shot Dead Near Frederiksted Vegetable Market

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ST. CROIX -- A man was shot several times in the upper body on Sunday night in Frederiksted, V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Glen Dratte has announced.

The victim, a Hispanic male, was identified by next of kin as 39-year-old Johnny Silverio De La Cruz, according to Mr. Dratte.

Police say the incident occurred at around 6:40 p.m. on Sunday. The 911 emergency call center was notified about the incident -- which occurred on Queen Street in the vicinity of the Vegetable Market in Frederiksted -- at 6:40 p.m.

Upon investigators' arrival to the scene, Mr. De La Cruz was discovered lifeless on the ground. Medical attendants on the scene were unable to resuscitate the individual,

according to Mr. Dratte.

The V.I.P.D. said the incident remains under active investigation by the Criminal Investigation Bureau (C.B.I.). C.B.I. is asking the community for any information that may lead to the arrest of the perpetrator or perpetrators, by calling 340-778-2211. You may also contact Crime Stoppers USVI with your anonymous tip [here](#).

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