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Oakland Police Update Child Abuse Case

Oakland, CA – On July 5, 2012 the Alameda County District Attorney's Office filed charges against the babysitter of the three-year-old boy who remains in critical condition at a local hospital.

The suspect, Oakland resident Zakiyyah Williams, DOB 11-7-87, has been charged with one count of child abuse and one count of corporal injury to a child; she remains in custody. See attached photo of suspect Williams.

Background: On July 2, 2012, a three-year-old boy was transported to a local hospital by paramedics after his babysitter reported that he was unresponsive. Oakland police officers and investigators began an investigation due to the extent and nature of injuries and evidence of past physical abuse. The child remains in a life threatening condition.

Investigators were concerned about the welfare of four other minor children of the couple and a request for assistance in locating them was broadcast via media outlets. The three younger children, ages four, six, and seven, were found to be in the care of their aunt in Stanislaus County. The children were taken into protective custody.

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of the 16 year old are urged to contact the Oakland Police Department Family Youth Services Division at (510) 238-3641.

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