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## PRESS RELEASE

The Office of Inspector General, together with the Stamford Police Department, are investigating the in-custody death of Jamal Linton, an African-American male, age 36, of Brooklyn, New York who died on Sunday, January 26, 2025 while in the custody of the Stamford Police Department.

On January 26<sup>th</sup> at approximately 7:34 a.m., Stamford officers arrested Linton on charges of Assault in the Second Degree, Strangulation in the Second Degree and Violation of a Protective Order. He was being held on \$75,000 bond in the Stamford Police Department detention facility pending his appearance in court on Monday, January 27, 2025. On January 26<sup>th</sup> at approximately 5:42 p.m., Linton was found unresponsive in his cell. It appeared that he had suffocated himself using a ligature. Stamford officers immediately provided first aid, and he was taken by police to Stamford Hospital. Linton was pronounced dead at 6:26 p.m.

The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner performed an autopsy on January 27, 2025, and determined the cause of death to be hanging and the manner of death to be suicide.

The investigation is continuing.