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IMPD Officer Francisco Olmos charged with Obstruction of Justice and Computer Trespass

Olmos accused of deleting messages and data from a cell phone involved in a death investigation

(Indianapolis, Ind.) Marion County Prosecutor Terry Curry announced today that IMPD Officer Francisco Olmos has been charged with Obstruction of Justice (Level 6 Felony) and Computer Trespass (Class A Misdemeanor) for allegedly interfering with evidence in a death investigation. Olmos is accused of accessing the cell phone of a suicide victim with whom he was familiar and deleting messages and data, including text messages between Olmos and the victim. The charges arise from an investigation by the IMPD Special Investigations Unit.

On November 2, 2015, an eighteen-year-old female committed suicide at her home. The woman was an IMPD Explorer and, according to the probable cause affidavit, had known Olmos for approximately nine months. They met within the context of Olmos's position. As further alleged in the probable cause affidavit, Olmos told investigators that he and the woman communicated almost every day.

According to the probable cause affidavit, the woman was found by her father when he went to notify the woman that Olmos had arrived at the family's home to speak with her. According to Olmos's statement to investigators, he had come to the woman's home on the afternoon of the suicide to check on her after becoming concerned from communication he had with her hours earlier and then receiving no response to multiple subsequent attempts to reach her.

As further alleged in the probable cause affidavit, the woman's cell phone was located by her father in the room where she was found. While Olmos was at the scene, he allegedly asked for the cell phone and was provided with it by the father. Olmos is accused of accessing several applications within the phone to delete messages from him before leaving the phone at the family's home. The deleted messages were recovered by a detective with the IMPD Digital Forensic Unit.

Olmos was arrested this morning by the IMPD Special Investigations Unit. An initial hearing for the matter has not yet been set.

The criminal prosecution will be handled by the Marion County Prosecutor's Office. All information regarding Olmos's employment status with IMPD will be released by that agency.

A charge of a crime is merely an accusation, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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Note: The charging document and probable cause affidavit filed in this case may be downloaded at: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/yuyibhtpbjpwqxu/Francisco%20Olmos.pdf?dl=0>