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Due to the large number of calls from the media to the Coroner's office, Sacramento County Coroner Robert Lyons is releasing this update on the suicide of Gary Webb.

MEDIA RELEASE

On 12/10/04, at 0835 hours, the Sacramento County Coroner's Office received a call from Sacramento County Sheriff's Department dispatchers requesting response to an apparent suicide at 2016 Clearfield Way, Carmichael, CA. A deputy coroner responded to the scene and conducted a death scene investigation in cooperation with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department

The decedent was identified as Gary Stephen Webb, a 49 year old white male. Death was pronounced at the scene at 0820 hours on 12/10/04 by Sacramento Metropolitan Fire Department paramedics. The decedent was removed to the Sacramento County Coroner's Office where a forensic examination was conducted on 12/10/04.

The cause of death was determined to be self inflicted gunshot wounds to the head. Information and evidence gathered at the scene of death, including a handwritten note indicating an intention on the part of the decedent to take his own life, resulted in "Suicide" as the determined manner of death. The investigation is continuing and will take an estimated additional 6-8 weeks to complete.

As a matter of policy and in recognition of the decedent's/family's privacy, no further details will be released at this point.

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