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CMHU Investigation Update, New Carlisle

St. Joseph County –The St. Joseph County Metro Homicide Unit (CMHU) continues to actively investigate the death of the 6 year old found yesterday evening in a wooded area near Chapman St in New Carlisle, IN. The victim has been identified as Grace Ross, female, of New Carlisle.

The name of the arrested 14 year old suspect is not being released at this time, as he is progressing through the juvenile system.

CMHU asks anyone with information regarding this investigation to call CMHU at 574-235-5009 or Crime Stoppers at 574-288-STOP. More information will be released to the public as we are able to do so.

Original CMHU Release, 3.13.21-Last evening 3/12/21 around 6:30 pm a six year old child was reported missing in the area of Chapman St. in New Carlisle. At approximately 8:25 pm the child was located in a wooded area near Chapman. She was deceased. Due to the circumstances, CMHU was called to the scene to investigate. A fourteen year old suspect has been arrested. We are not releasing any names at this time or other details.

We are asking anyone with information regarding this case to call CMHU. An autopsy had been scheduled for Sunday morning. This is an open and active investigation.