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Re: Immediate Investigation and Prosecution of those responsible for the Murder of
29-year-old Jamaican immigrant Peter Bernardo Spencer.

Dear All,

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We recently learned of the horrific murder of 29-year-old Jamaican immigrant Peter Bernardo Spencer who was shot 9 times while in the woods of Emlenton, Venango County Pa with Nathan Myer and several other White men on December 11, 2021.

We were told by Mr. Spencer's pregnant fiancé, Carmela King, that on Saturday, December 11, 2021 at about 2:45 pm she dropped off 29 year old Peter Spencer, Jamaican immigrant, off to meet Nathan Myers at his camper in the woods of Emlenton Venango County PA. His fiancé says although this was not the first time Mr. Spencer had visited his former co-worker in Venango County, she thought it strange that this was the first time Mr. Spencer had gone by himself, and the first time he had been dropped off in the woods, in that she normally would take him to Nathan Myers' mother's house. Shortly after dropping off Mr. Spencer his fiancé attempted to ping his location so she would know where he was, but was unable to get his location because of the lack of service in the woods. As soon as she was able to get service, she called him with no answer, but received a text saying "Just Come Tomorrow", and then she received a text saying "See you tomorrow". She then texted back "Love you", but she didn't get a response which was very strange as he always responded in the past. She felt uneasy and called him all night and messaged Nathan Myers on Instagram @oohitsnate . She then got up at 5am to go pick him up, attempting to call him while on her way. She arrived at the place she had dropped Peter off at less than 24 hours before, only to receive a call from Peter's mom telling her he had been shot. When his fiancé arrived at 9:13 am she saw Pennsylvania State troopers and yellow crime scene tape around a body on the ground.

A PA State trooper put her in a car and told her Peter had been shot and killed, and told her they thought there had been an altercation, and that's why he was shot. The state trooper then directed her to call the Franklin PA State Barracks. She then spoke with Detective Hangan who told her that Mr. Spencer had been shot, and they had a suspect in custody who claimed he shot Mr. Spencer in self defense, but no one had been charged.

The Black Political Empowerment Project (B-PEP) finds this narrative unacceptable, offensive and beyond troubling.

We find it impossible to claim self-defense shooting someone twice in the buttocks, six times in the chest, and once in the mouth (or in the neck). This seems to us to be possibly nothing more than a modern-day lynching! Again, in America a young Black man may have lost his life tragically at the hands of one or more White racists who it seems hunted him like an animal in the woods for sport. Even in the midst of the killing of a Black man, shot nine times, it appears that no one has been charged, or even accused of murdering this 29year old Jamaican immigrant, leaving his unborn child without a father, and his fiancé without a husband.

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We demand the immediate arrest and prosecution of Nathan Myers and all involved in the death of Peter Barnardo Spencer. We demand the immediate investigation of this murder by the Venango County District Attorney, the U.S. Attorney General, and the PA State Attorney General, and that this murder be considered as a hate crime and an act of domestic terrorism. This is not only an attack against Blacks in America, but could become an international incident as these White men have murdered a citizen of another country while he sought a better life for himself, and his family here in America. Because he was murdered, his mother is left without a son, his pregnant fiancé is left to raise their child alone, and to one day have to explain to their child why his father was taken before he ever got to meet him. When will the hate stop? How many more Emmett Tills will we bury?

We look forward to your collective immediate attention and action on this important matter. We seek justice. We seek the full prosecution of all involved.

Sincerely,

Tim Stevens

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