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INCIDENT TYPE: CHILD ABUSE / NEGLECT

HIGH POINT, NC – On Thursday, September 28, 2017, at approximately 07:00 AM High Point Police Officers responded to the InTown Suites located at 2860 North Main Street in High Point after receiving a request to check the welfare of an infant. The caller (a concerned family member) requested officers check the welfare of a (4) four-month-old male infant located inside one of the rooms after receiving a text message that the infant had fallen off the bed and busted its eye while being watched by a stranger.

The initial responding officers located the room (115) and the parties involved and immediately began investigating the incident and determined the infant had, in fact, sustained injuries that required medical attention. High Point Police Violent Crimes Unit Detectives were contacted to assist with the investigation.

High Point Police learned that earlier in the morning the Mother, Jordan A Myrick (W/F 25) and Father, Archie T Turner (W/M 27) had left the hotel room and left their child in the custody of (2) two strangers Michael A Baldwin (W/M 58) and Evelyn D Thompson (W/F 57).

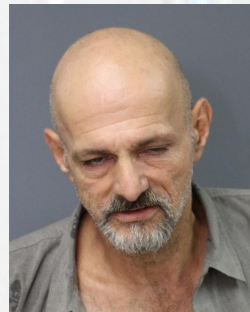
As a result of the initial investigation Turner, Myrick, Baldwin, and Thompson have all been charged with (1) one count of Misdemeanor Child Abuse / Neglect and confined to the High Point (Guilford County) Jail under a \$10,000.00 secured bond.



Turner (9-28-17)



Myrick (9-28-17)



Baldwin (9-28-17)



Thompson (9-28-17)



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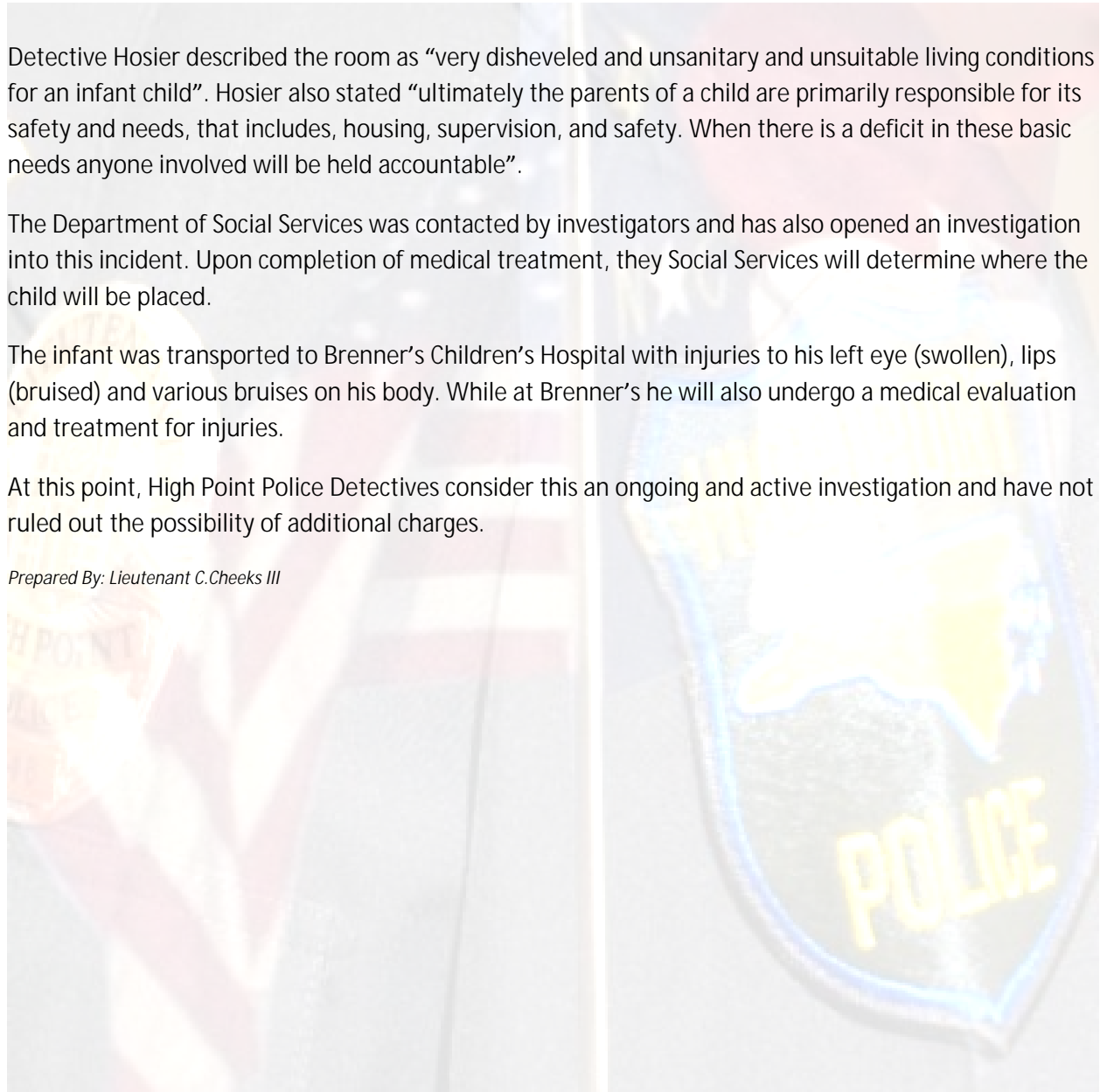
Detective Hosier described the room as “very disheveled and unsanitary and unsuitable living conditions for an infant child”. Hosier also stated “ultimately the parents of a child are primarily responsible for its safety and needs, that includes, housing, supervision, and safety. When there is a deficit in these basic needs anyone involved will be held accountable”.

The Department of Social Services was contacted by investigators and has also opened an investigation into this incident. Upon completion of medical treatment, they Social Services will determine where the child will be placed.

The infant was transported to Brenner’s Children’s Hospital with injuries to his left eye (swollen), lips (bruised) and various bruises on his body. While at Brenner’s he will also undergo a medical evaluation and treatment for injuries.

At this point, High Point Police Detectives consider this an ongoing and active investigation and have not ruled out the possibility of additional charges.

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