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NEWS FEED:

Inmates dies after assault on officer

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Authorities are investigating the death of a state inmate who was fatally injured after assaulting a female officer at Ventress prison in southeast Alabama. Prison system spokesman Brian Corbett said Thursday the death of 24-year-old Rocrast Mack is being reviewed both by the Department of Corrections and the Alabama Bureau of Investigation. Corbett says Mack allegedly attacked an officer in the prison on Aug. 4, and other officers responded. He says Mack was injured while being restrained, and died after being sent first to a hospital in Troy and then another one in Montgomery. Mack was serving a 20-year sentence for a drug conviction. Corbett says the female officer was hurt, but her injuries weren't life-threatening.