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PRESS RELEASE

The Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC) reports that on Sunday, August 24, 2014, inmate Jonathan Van Hook, NDOC #1114686, was found unresponsive in his single cell at High Desert State Prison. Despite staff's efforts to resuscitate him, inmate Van Hook was pronounced dead. The Department's Inspector General's Office is investigating this incident as an apparent suicide. He was a 40 year old male committed from Clark County serving a sentence of 10 years to life with parole for murder second degree; and serving a consecutive sentence of 5 to 20 years for a victim over 65 enhancement. Inmate Van Hook had been incarcerated with the NDOC since February 2, 2014. The Clark County Coroner's Office responded to the facility. An autopsy is to be conducted. Next of kin have been notified.

