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Arrest Made in a Homicide: 3900 Block of South Capitol Street, Southeast

(Washington, DC) – Detectives from the Metropolitan Police Department’s Homicide Branch are investigating a homicide that occurred on Monday, August 23, 2021, in the 3900 block of South Capitol Street, Southeast.

At approximately 10:59 pm, members of the Seventh District responded to the listed location for the report of a shooting. Upon arrival, members located an adult male suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services responded to the scene and found that the victim displayed no signs consistent with life. The victim remained on the scene until transported to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

The decedent has been identified as **39 year-old Harold Castle**, of Northwest, DC.

On Tuesday, August 31, 2021, pursuant to a DC Superior Court arrest warrant, **27 year-old Cecil Smith**, of Southeast, DC was arrested and charged with **Second Degree Murder While Armed**.

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