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**RIKERS ISLAND INMATE INDICTED FOR KNOCKING NYC DOC OFFICER
UNCONSCIOUS, CAUSING FACIAL FRACTURES**
Defendant Allegedly Punched Victim's Head Into Wall for Locking His Cell

Bronx District Attorney Darcel D. Clark today announced that a Rikers Island inmate has been charged with second-degree Assault and additional charges for allegedly punching a New York City Department of Correction Officer's head into a wall and knocking her briefly unconscious.

District Attorney Clark said, "The officer was following protocol by locking the defendant's cell door because the inmate went inside his cell. When the door was later opened, the defendant allegedly attacked the officer, who suffered fractured bones and a deep cut to her face. This type of brutal assault will not be tolerated."

District Attorney Clark said the defendant, Tymirh Bey-Foster, 21, has been indicted on two counts of second-degree Assault, third-degree Assault, and Obstructing Governmental Administration. Foster was arraigned April 16, 2024, before Bronx Supreme Court Justice Kim Parker. Bail was set at \$50,00 cash, \$100,000 bond, and \$100,000 partially secured bond at 10%. The defendant is due back in court on June 20, 2024.

According to the investigation, on April 7, 2024, in the Robert N. Davoren Complex on Rikers Island, the victim, a NYC Department of Correction Officer, locked the defendant's cell. Pursuant to protocol, cell doors must be closed and locked whether an inmate is either in or out of their cell. The defendant allegedly began threatening the officer, becoming irate because his cell was locked. The officer instructed that the door be unlocked, and the defendant then allegedly confronted the officer and punched her in the face, causing her head to hit a wall and a brief loss of consciousness. She suffered fractures to her orbital and sinus bones as well as a deep cut to her face which required sutures.

The case was prosecuted by Senior Investigative Assistant District Attorney Georgia D. Barker of Rikers Island Prosecution Bureau, under the supervision of Jose Arocho, Deputy Chief of the Rikers Island Prosecution Bureau, Francis Alberts, Chief of the Rikers Island Prosecution



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Bureau, and under the overall supervision of Denise Kodjo, Deputy Chief of the Investigations Division, and Wanda Perez-Maldonado, Chief of the Investigations Division.

District Attorney Clark thanked Trial Preparation Assistant Roderick Kelly of the Rikers Island Prosecution Bureau for his assistance in the case.

District Attorney Clark also thanked Department of Correction Central Intelligence Bureau Investigators Juan Rivera, Daniel Monaco, Jeffrey Rios, and Walter Holmes for their work on the investigation.

An indictment is an accusatory instrument and not proof of a defendant's guilt.