

# EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH CORONER'S OFFICE

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### *PRELIMINARY ANATOMIC DIAGNOSIS*

(BATON ROUGE, LA) – On June 24, 2013, an autopsy was conducted on infant Aaliyah Heard and the results are as follows:

Manner of Death: Homicide

Preliminary Cause of Death: Blunt Force Closed Head Injuries

Other injuries observed and documented on the child included various marks, bruises and abrasions. Some of these injuries were recent and some were in various stages of healing.

For any questions, please contact the East Baton Rouge Parish Coroner's Office at 225-389-3047.

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#### **About the East Baton Rouge Parish Coroner's Office**

The East Baton Rouge Coroner's Office exists to serve the citizens of East Baton Rouge Parish, and the State of Louisiana, both living and deceased. Dignity and guidance will be provided to the mentally ill and their families, to protect victims of sexual assault and to ensure accurate investigation and reporting in the instance of sudden, unexpected or traumatic death.