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Inquest Performed on Remains from Johnson Funeral Home

Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office has performed inquests on eight bodies recovered from the Fort Worth Funeral Home on Tuesday, July 15, 2014. There were six adults and two fetal remains. All the adult bodies were positively identified by fingerprint comparisons. Medical Examiner's office will resort to DNA comparison to complete the identification of the two fetal remains.

Examinations have revealed no evidence of trauma or foul play. All except one remains exhibited advanced stages of decomposition. Decedents identified include:

1. Chewe MWANGILWA: 42 year old African female from Zambia. The remains will be shipped to her home country on Friday.
Cause of death: Carcinoma of the breast with metastasis.
2. Patricia BAPTISTE, 90 year old African American female.
Cause of death: Atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease
3. Victoria VASQUEZ, 53 year old Hispanic female.
Cause of death: Congestive heart failure due to COPD.
4. Helen Washington JONES, 70 year old African American female.
Cause of death: Carcinoma of the lung with metastasis.
5. Karen Pearl JONES, 60 year old African American female.
Cause of death: Unspecified Natural Causes.
6. 48 year old African American female. Identification in progress.
Cause of death: Carcinoma of the breast with metastasis.
7. Fetal remains: Pending DNA Identification. Cause of Death: Undetermined.
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