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## TWO VIRGINIA TV JOURNALISTS SHOT DURING LIVE REPORT AT NEWS STATION WDBJ7

### KILLED BY A FORMER COLLEAGUE

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**USPA NEWS** - A man has shot dead a reporter and a cameraman for WDBJ7, a local CBS affiliate, live on air in the US state of Virginia has died of a self-inflicted wound in hospital. The suspect is identified to be Vester Lee Flanagan II, also known as Bryce Williams, and is former colleague of the two victims.

THE TWO VCTIMS WERE SHOT DEAD LIVE ON AIR WDBJ7 TV-----

The two victims, are cameraman Adam Ward, 27, before he dropped to the ground and Alison Parker, 24, who also died, was conducting an interview about tourism on Bridgewater Plaza in Franklin County before at least eight shots rang out. The woman being interviewed was also wounded in the attack.-----AFTER SHOOTING LIVE THE TWO JOURNALISTS, THE GUNMAN CRASHED HIS CAR AND DIED-----

After leaving the scene, the gunman Vester Lee Flanagan, 41 crashed his car on the I-66 highway in Fauquier County Flanagan, and later died in hospital.

According to ABC, a 23-page fax to the network arrived almost two hours after the shooting. It came from someone who identified himself as Bryce Williams, the on-air name gunman Vester L. Flanagan II used when he worked as a reporter. He also posted the details of his video of the shooting in the social media (Twitter and Facebook).

These elements have led to consider them key pieces of evidence as they try to craziness what led to the deadly shooting.

After the shooter posts details on twitter and Facebook,

So far the gunman's motive are not so clear, and the investigation is looking at his past employment at WDBJ7 as well other evidence, including the fax he allegedly sent to ABC News in New York.

In the fax, according to ABC, the gunman said "the Charleston, South Carolina, church shooting in June is what put him over the edge, but he wrote that his "anger has been building steadily" because of racial discrimination and sexual harassment he claims to have endured.

He stressed on his fascination for the shooting of Columbine and High School and Virginia Tech.

The gunman also expressed his fascination for the shooters who killed students at Columbine High School killers and Virginia Tech. Investigation is just starting and the methods of filming the shooting before sending it at the social media, is quite horrifying while the gunman comments that the victims have discriminated him about his black skin colour and his gay status. The investigation should be lengthy.

AMERICA IS IN SHOCK AND MOMS DEMAND ACTION FOR GUN SENSE IN AMERICA-----

The group of Moms dead action for gun sense in America speaks out the gun problem in the US : "Our hearts go out to the families and friends of Alison and Adam, who were shot and killed this morning while at work, simply doing their jobs. Go here to send a condolence message that we will deliver to WDBJ7 in the coming days". "It is not normal for people to be shot and killed while doing their job, or studying in class, or praying in church, or watching a movie. It is time for our leaders to act to protect Americans and do more to keep guns out of dangerous hands. We deserve better." Continues the condolence message of the Association against gun.

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