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FORCILLO SENTENCING VERDICT**

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The Honourable Justice Then has sentenced Constable James Forcillo to six years in a Federal Penitentiary for the attempted murder of Sammy Yatim.

On January 25, 2016, a jury found Police Constable James Forcillo guilty of attempted murder in relation to the shooting of Sammy Yatim on July 27, 2013. Sammy was shot eight times by Constable Forcillo while confined within a TTC streetcar and surrounded by numerous Toronto police officers. The jury rejected Constable Forcillo's testimony that Sammy presented a real threat to the officer at the time that he discharged his firearm a further six times while Sammy lay mortally wounded on the floor of the streetcar. The jury was not satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt that Constable Forcillo was guilty of murder.

Sahar Bahadi, the mother of Sammy Yatim, commented: **"I am thankful to Justice Then for his service and consideration in this verdict. Today, we received some measure of justice for Sammy. But it will never bring my son back."**

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