Remains of a toddler and man discovered in Platte Co

(<u>KQ2-TV</u>)--The Platte County Sheriff's Department is investigating what they say is the suspicious death of a man and toddler.

The sheriff's office received a call shortly after 7:00 a.m. Sunday regarding a vehicle on fire in the 20000 block of B Highway north of Ridgley.

When first responders arrived on scene, they found the remains of a toddler and man inside a charred car.

"We have found 'skeletonized' remains of what we believe is an adult male and possibly a toddler," Major Erik Holland from the Platte County Sheriff's Office said.

Fire crews had to cut through the car's doors after the handles were melted shut.

"A lot of parts had melted down so it had to be cut," Holland said.

Investigators say this will be a slower investigation due to the state of the remains. Detectives say they will have to use dental or DNA samples to positively identify the bodies.

The Missouri State Fire Marshal's Office is also assisting in the investigation.

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