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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL
OF FLORIDA
THIRD DISTRICT
JANUARY TERM A.D., 2004

THE STATE OF FLORIDA,

**

Appellant,

**

vs.

** CASE NO. 3D03-2367

ERNEST MERRIWEATHER,

**

Appellee.

** LOWER
TRIBUNAL NO. 02-25686
**

Opinion filed July 7, 2004.

An Appeal from the Circuit Court for Miami-Dade County,
Dennis J. Murphy, Judge.

Charles J. Crist, Jr., Attorney General, and Paulette R.
Taylor, Assistant Attorney General, for appellant.

Bennett H. Brummer, Public Defender, and Shannon P.
McKenna, Assistant Public Defender, for appellee.

Before COPE, LEVY and GERSTEN, JJ.

PER CURIAM.

The State's general objection was insufficient to call the
trial court's attention to the need for downward departure

reasons. State v. Leggett, 792 So. 2d 646, 647 (Fla. 3d DCA 2001); State v. Henriquez, 717 So. 2d 1087 (Fla. 3d DCA 1998).

Affirmed.