



Ohio Attorney General's Office
Bureau of Criminal Investigation
Investigative Report



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Officer Involved Critical Incident – 2900 Towne Boulevard,
Middletown, OH 45044 (L)

Investigative Activity: Security Video Review
Date of Activity: 02/25/2023
Activity Location: Walmart – 2900 Towne Blvd, Middletown, OH 45044, Butler County
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Narrative:

On Saturday, February 25, 2023, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was contacted by the Middletown Police Department in Butler County, Ohio, to assist with an Officer-Involved Critical Incident that occurred at the Walmart, located at 2900 Towne Boulevard, Middletown, OH (Warren County) between Victor Lykins and the Middletown Police Department.

On February 25, 2023, Special Agent (SA) Kenny Smith received a video CD from Sergeant Tony Gibson of the Middletown Police Department. Sgt. Gibson acquired the CD from Walmart employees at 2900 Towne Boulevard, Middletown, Ohio. The file footage on the CD captured video from two separate cameras in the Walmart parking lot. Special Agent (SA) Sean Zint reviewed the video on a BCI laptop. The following is a brief synopsis of SA Zint's initial review of the Walmart parking lot video:

- The first video file was titled=FILE EXPORT_DRIVE_AISLE-GROC_OVERVIEW
- The second video file was titled=FILE EXPORT_DRIVE-AISLE-10-SATURDAY
- The video time and date display only indicate how much time had elapsed on the video file copied onto the CD.
- Both video recordings appear to start at the same time as the times and events match up between the two camera vantage points.
- At approximately 19:10, a silver Jeep Commander is observed travelling eastbound in the Walmart parking lot towards the Walmart building followed by a Middletown Police Department marked patrol vehicle.
- Both vehicles made a right turn in front of the building headed south one row and made another right hand turn proceeding westbound through the Walmart lot.
- At approximately 19:20, the emergency overhead lights on the Middletown marked patrol car can be seen in operation.
- The silver Jeep Commander pulls over to the right into a parking spot at approximately 19:40, with the first Middletown police cruiser behind the Jeep Commander
- A second marked patrol car arrives on scene at approximately 21:20.

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- At approximately 25:00, a Walmart employee can be seen collecting shopping carts in the parking lot near the traffic stop.
- Movement around the silver Jeep Commander and the Middletown police cruiser is observed at approximately 27:05 and again at 28:30.
- At approximately 30:30 several Middletown police cars and a Middletown EMS Unit arrive on scene with emergency lights operating.

A copy of the Walmart video has been uploaded to the AGO network F: drive (reference #01).

References:

Case video stored on AGO Network – F: drive