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Bureau of Criminal Investigation
Investigative Report



2024-2718

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 248 E. 11th Avenue,
Columbus, OH 43201 (L)

Investigative Activity: Review of Records, Records Received, Body Camera Review

Involves: Columbus Police Department (O), Lamine Mahmoudi (S), [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Sgt. Nathan Scherger (W), Messaoud Mezrar (W), Hossam Hasan Hasan (O)

Date of Activity: 09/10/2024

Activity Location: Columbus Police Substation 4 – 248 E. 11th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43201

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Narrative:

On the morning of September 10, 2024, while on scene at the Officer-Involved Critical Incident at the Columbus Police Precinct 4 Substation, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) James Gore obtained copies of the dispatch logs pertaining to this matter from Detective Art Hughes. Prior to the fatal encounter with police on 9/10/2024, there were two additional calls at the residence of the involved subject, Lamine Mahmoudi's, 235 Chittenden Avenue, on the evening of 9/09/2024.

This report will attempt to summarize and interpret each call run, where possible, using the official Columbus Police radio codes. It must be stated that any numerical radio call signs appearing in the dispatch notes refer to the responding officers' vehicle numbers, and they do not signify the individual officers' badge numbers.

First Dispatch Run:

The first run ([REDACTED]) occurred on 9/09/2024 at 1859 hours, and was labeled "10-14," which is the code for cutting or stabbing. The caller, "MESSAUD," reported that his friend, Lamine Mahmoudi, had cut his wrist and he (Mahmoudi) shut the door in his face. (*Note: "Messaoud" was later identified via his phone number as Messaoud Mezrar.*) The caller (Mezrar) reported that it was a small knife, and Mahmoudi still had it in his hand. It was further noted that the caller reported that Mahmoudi was "hallucinating" and "delusional" that morning.

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At 1902 hours, the log indicated "24 ADV," which is possibly a reference to an emergency squad. At 1903 hours, "7A" (open door) was annotated, and it was further noted that someone kept shutting the door. At 1905 hours, it was noted that officers briefly made contact with the subject (Mahmoudi), and he had a butcher knife in his hand; the subject shut the door. At 1911 hours, the "MCR" (Mobile Crisis Response Unit) was requested.

At 1931 hours, it was noted that a neighbor advised that there was access to both sides of the duplex, possibly in the basement. The neighbor (233 Chittenden) would shelter in place in the basement, according to the notes.

At 2000 hours, the MCR advised there was no contact in the back (of the residence). At 2007 hours, a supervisor on scene (S4B) advised they would Code 4 everything (close out the call, no arrest). By 2200 hours, all of the responding officers were clear of the scene.

After reviewing the body-worn camera (BWC) footage of some of the responding officers, it was deduced from conversations amongst officers that the duplex residential structure (233 and 235 Chittenden) was owned by someone who was affiliated with a nearby Marathon gas station located at 207 E. 11th Ave. One of the employees of said gas station (yet to be positively identified) was an actual resident of 233 Chittenden, but he was not one of the residents who sought shelter in the basement.

Also from BWC data, at least the following officers were identified as responders on the first run, in no particular order:

- Lieutenant Christopher Smith-Hughes (L4B)
- Sergeant Matthew Weber (S4B)
- Officer James McCary
- Officer Raheem Frank
- Officer Dustin Robison
- Officer Tamir Thomas
- Officer Daniel Day
- Officer Edward Prime
- Officer Jwaun Mitchell
- Officer Bryan Mengel
- Officer Randall Beam

The unit/car numbers annotated on the run were 40B, 41B, 43B, 44B, 9040E, 9041E, 9170E, L4B, MCR4, and S4B.

Second Dispatch Run:

The second run (# [REDACTED]) began at 2224 hours on 9/09/2024, and was labeled, "10-33A," which is the code for a person with a knife. The caller was listed as the landlord, "SAM HASAN." (Note: "Sam Hasan" was later identified from his phone number as Hossam Hasan.) The suspect was listed as "AMIN," (Lamine), and the notes indicated that the "tenant" (Lamine Mahmoudi) had the knife on him and was "threatening roommates." Also at 2224

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hours, it was noted that the suspect was the only person in the "L" (location).

At 2225 hours, it was noted that an employee, "NAIR," was waiting outside. At 2226 hours, however, it was noted that the caller was not on scene.

At 2229 hours, it was annotated that Unit 9041E advised that the subject came to the door earlier with a 33A (knife) in his hand. Notes from 2233 hours indicated that "NYIER" (Nair) from the gas station relayed the information to the caller. Also at 2233 hours, it was noted that Unit/Car 9041E peeped in a window, and he observed the subject walking around the house with an 8 inch knife, which looked like a meat cleaver. (*Note: 9140E was also one of the responders on the first run*). According to the notes, the subject was the only person 9041E observed.

At 2236 hours, it was noted that the MCR had the subject on the phone. At 2238 hours, the notes indicated that per the MCR, "... HE REFUSED TO PUT DOWN THE KNIFE SAID WE NEED TO SHOOT HIM AND HE HUNG UP."

Notes from 2238 hours also indicated that Unit/Car 9170E had contact at the rear, and at 2239 hours, the door was shut again. (*Note: 9170E also responded to the first call*).

Between 2241 and 2251 hours, "L4C," (lieutenant) as it was noted, indicated that there was no victim in the matter, and if contact could not be established, then it would be a disengagement. A "TACTICAL DISENGAGEMENT" was noted at 2258 hours. By 2317 hours, a debrief was noted, and all units were cleared from the scene, "4V" (non-arrest, video indicated).

From BWC data, at least the following officers were identified on the second run, in no particular order:

- Sergeant Nathan Scherger (S17C)
- Officer David Shore
- Officer Richard Donaldson
- Officer Adam Hardwick
- Officer Jacob Velas
- Officer Randall Beam
- Officer Edward Prime
- Officer Gary Patterson
- Officer Dustin Robison
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

(*Note: The officers whose names followed by an asterisk* were among those identified from the use of force incident involving Lamine Mahmoudi on the third run.*)

The unit/car numbers logged for the second run were 173C, 174C, [REDACTED], 9030E, 9040E, 9170E, L4C, MCR4, S17C, and S4C.

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Third Dispatch Run:

The third run ([REDACTED]) began at 0130 hours on 9/10/2024, and was labeled, "10-3," which is the code for officer in trouble. The notes reflect that at 0130 hours, unit 41C reported a "16B IN THE ALLEY WITH 33A" (disturbance/mental with a knife).

At 0131 hours, the notes indicate that shots were fired. Also at 0131, "CFD ADV" was noted, which is likely a reference to the Columbus Division of Fire (CFD). At 0132 hours, it was noted that units were shutting down the alley and both entrances to the substation. It was also annotated that medics would have to enter through the alley on the north side of the substation.

Notes from 0133 hours indicated that all officers were okay and accounted for, and that Medic 7 was rolling in.

At 0134 hours, it was noted that L4C (lieutenant) was en route. It was further noted that knives were recovered and officers and medics were performing CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation). According to notes, Medic 7 pronounced Mahmoudi deceased at 0136 hours.

The notes from 0137 through when the call was cleared at 0234 hours pertained to scene security and administrative, chain-of-command notifications.

From BWC and dash camera data, at least the following officers were identified on the third run, in no particular order:

- Sergeant Nathan Scherger
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

(Note: The officers whose names followed by an asterisk were involved in the use of force incident.)*

The unit/car numbers logged for the third run were 123C, 124C, 144C, 170C, 171C, 172C, 173C, 174C, 30C, 31C, 33C, 34C, [REDACTED], 550, 628X, 9030E, 9040E, 9041E, 9121E, 9170E, K95, L1C, L3C, L4C, L5C, S17C, S94E, and S9C.

During the first two runs, the decision to disengage and leave Mahmoudi at the scene was made by shift lieutenants, and this was done in consultation with the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team. For reference, copies of two Columbus Police Division Directives were obtained – 3.05: *Interacting with Persons in Mental Health Crisis*; and 4.13: *Special Weapons*

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and Tactics (SWAT).

The following excerpts from the Division Directives may assist in contextualizing some of the terminology in the dispatch notes and the actions of the responding officers.

From Directive 3.05:

I. Definitions

B. Mental Illness

A substantial disorder of thought, mood, perception, orientation, or memory that grossly impairs judgment, behavior, capacity to recognize reality, or the ability to meet the ordinary demands of life.

C. Mobile Crisis Response (MCR) Unit

A specialized Division unit composed of highly trained sworn personnel and licensed clinicians from Columbus Public Health whose primary mission is to respond to complex calls for service that involve mental health or substance use. The unit seeks to divert persons in crisis from the criminal justice system by referring them to mental health services or transporting them to area hospitals for treatment as appropriate. ...

II. Policy Statements

B. Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 5122.10, Emergency Hospitalization

1. ORC Section 5122.10 grants that law enforcement personnel may take a person with a mental illness into custody to ensure the safety of the person and others. Under this authority and whenever safe and appropriate, sworn personnel shall take into custody and transport to a mental health facility or hospital for a mental health evaluation any person who due to the person's mental illness:

d. Is in need of treatment in a hospital for the mental illness due to behavior that creates a grave and imminent risk to the rights of others or the individual. ...

(2) A patrol or SWAT lieutenant should consider disengagement when it is reasonably believed continued contact with a non-criminal subject may cause an unreasonable risk to the person in crisis, the public, or law enforcement personnel. Refer to the "Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)" directive for additional information.

From Directive 4.13:

II. Definitions

A. Barricade

1. A situation in which an individual has retreated into a building, structure, or other barrier or gains a tactically superior position over sworn personnel, preventing or hampering efforts to be taken into custody while refusing law enforcement orders to exit; and

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2. There is a reasonable belief that the individual:

- a. Is armed with a deadly weapon, or
- b. May cause or attempt to cause serious physical harm to others or himself or herself.

B. Barricaded Subject

An individual who is not believed to have committed a crime and has barricaded himself or herself as outlined in Section II,A.

C. Barricaded Suspect

An individual who is believed to have committed a crime and has barricaded himself or herself as outlined in Section II,A.

D. Disengagement

1. A term used to describe ending communication with a barricaded subject, repositioning personnel to a reasonably safe location, and remaining aware of the developing situation after considering the totality of the circumstances.

2. Actions could include departing the location, delaying contact, or delaying custody with a plan to make contact at a different time and under different circumstances, when it is legally possible to do so.

Full copies of the cited Division Directives are available for further review as attachments to this report. Copies of the dispatch logs for the three calls involving Lamine Mahmoudi were also attached for reference.

An in-depth review of the involved officers' BWC footage will be the subject of a separate report.

References:

- 1. Division of Police Radio Code, Columbus, Ohio (Official Ten Codes)
- 2. Columbus Police Division Directive 3.05 (revision date 6/30/2024)
- 3. Columbus Police Division Directive 4.13 (revision date 12/30/2023)

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 1st Dispatch Run CAD notes 9-09-2024

Attachment # 02: 2nd Dispatch Run CAD notes 9-10-2024

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Attachment # 03: 3rd Dispatch Run CAD notes 9-10-2024
Attachment # 04: Columbus Police – Official Ten Codes
Attachment # 05: 3.05 Interacting with Persons in Mental Health Crisis
Attachment # 06: 4.13 Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)

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1ST Run

10 - 14, 09/09/2024

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Location 235 CHITTENDEN AVE **Apt**
Cross Streets SUMMIT ST / N 4TH ST **County** FRANKLIN
District 42 **Zone** 04
Caller AT&T MOBILITY **Phone** [REDACTED]
Contact Caller

Rec	Disp	Enr	Arr	Clr
18:59:37	18:59:52	19:00:28	19:01:35	22:00:42

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1859 : FRIEND CUT HIS WRIST
1859 : FRIEND LAMINE MAHOUDI
1900 : S4B ADV
1900 : SAW HIS WRIST BLEEDING & HE SHUT THE DOOR IN CALLERS FACE
1900 : HE WAS A HALLUCINATING & DELUSIONAL THIS MORNING
1901 : **M/NORTH AFRICAN - GRN/BLK JKT - BLK SWEATPANTS
1901 : HE STILL HAD THE 33A IN HIS HAND
1901 : 33A WAS A SMALL KNIFE
1901 : AIRED ADDTL
1901 : CALLER MESSAUD - [REDACTED]
1902 : CALLER WALKING UP TO OFCRS
1902 : 24 ADV
1903 : 7A -- SOMEONE INSIDE KEEPS SHUTTING THE DOOR THOUGH
1905 : 41B -- BRIEFLY LIGHT SKINNED MALE WEARING A GRAY JKT WITH BLK SLEEVES WITH A BUTCHER KNIFE IN HIS HAND...THEN SHUT THE DOOR
1905 : 41B -- BRIEFLY MADE CONTACT**
1911 : MS 06 MCR TO CH 4 PLEASE
1911 : TO \$MCR4 ARE YOU AVAIL TO RESP TO CH 4? 235 CHITTENDEN [REDACTED]
1931 : 48B -- NEIGHBOR SAID THERE IS ACCESS TO BOTH SIDES OF THE UNIT FROM HIS SIDE...POSS IN THE BASEMENT
1931 : 233 IS SHELTERING IN PLACE IN THE BASEMENT
1947 : EAST CORNER AND WEST CORNER OF THE FRONT OF THE HOUSE NEEDS COVERED IN CASE A THROUGH AND THROUGH
1948 : 9170E -- OUT FRONT WITH LONG GUN
2000 : MCR4---NO RESPONSE IN THE BACK
2007 : S4B -- GOING TO CODE 4 EVERYTHING OUT HERE

2010 : 40B - CLEARED 4V
2013 : 9170E - CLEARED 4V
2013 : 44B - CLEARED 4V
2014 : 9041E - CLEARED 4
2015 : 9040E - CLEARED 4
2016 : 41B - CLEARED 2V
2020 : 48B - CLEARED 4V

2200 : MCR4 - CLEARED 1

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Location 235 CHITTENDEN AVE **Apt**
Cross
Streets SUMMIT ST / N 4TH ST **County** FRANKLIN
District 42 **Zone** 04
Caller SAM HASAN - **Phone** [REDACTED]
Landlord
Contact
Caller

Rec	Disp	Enr	Arr	Clr
22:24:12	22:24:39	22:25:30	22:31:34	23:17:39

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2224 : SUSP IS AMIN...M/ALGERIAN...
2224 : TENANT HAS A 33A ON HIM AND IS THREATENING ROOMMATES
2224 : SUSP HAS BARRICADED HIMSELF IN THE L
2224 : WE WERE OUT HERE EARLIER ABOUT A 14
2224 : SUSP IS ONLY PERSON IN L
2225 : S4C ADV
2225 : SUSP WEARING BLUE JACKET AND HAT
2225 : EMPLOYEE WAITING OUTSIDE...NAIR
2226 : NO ADDITIONAL...CALLER NOT ON SCENE
2228 : S4C WALKING OVER NOW
2229 : CAME TO THE DOOR EARLIER WITH A 33A IN HIS HAND
2229 : PER 9041E
2231 : [REDACTED] HAS HIM UP IN THE ROOM
2231 : HAS SOMEONE...RESIDENCE ISNT CLEAR YET
2231 : OUTBACK*** NOT IN THE ROOM
2231 : TRYING TO MAKE CONTACT
2231 : L4C COPIES AND ENR
2232 : S4C REQ CB TO SEE WEHRE CALLER IS
2232 : ONE COMING TO REAR DOOR
2233 : ***EMPLOYEE AT THE GAS STATION NYIER CALLED CALLER AND TOLD HIM ABOUT THE MALE
2233 : 9041E -- JUST PEEPED IN WINDOW...HE IS THE ONE IN THE HOUSE WALKING AROUND WITH A 8IN
33A
2233 : LOOKS LIKE A MEAT CLEAVER
2234 : ONLY ONE THAT 9041E SAW
2234 : SUSPECT NAME IS LAMIN
2235 : BACK TOWARDS KITCHEN...BLACK HAT ON BACKWARD, BLACK HOODY, GRAY ADIDAS

SWEATPANTS WITH MEAT CLEAVER IN HAND
2235 : REQUESTING UNIT WITH A SHIELD TO ASSIST
2236 : MCR4 HAS SUSPECT ON PHONE
2237 : NEED CRUISER TO THE REAR FOR THE SPOTLIGHT
2238 : MCR4-SAID HE REFUSED TO PUT DOWN THE KNIFE SAID WE NEED TO SHOOT HIM AND HE HUNG UP
2238 : 9170E -- CONTACT AT THE REAR
2239 : HE SHUT THE DOOR
2239 : DIDNT SEE ANYONE ELSE INSIDE ON THE FIRST FLOOR
2241 : CHITTENDEN<>SUMMIT/4TH WILL BE SHUT DOWN
2241 : NEED TO MAKE CONTACT WITH THE DOOR FROM THE WEST
2241 : L4C-NAME IS AMIN...NO VICTIM OUT OF THIS
2242 : S4C MADE CONTACT WITH ORIGINAL CALLER-GOING TO KNOCK AND SEE IF HE WILL COME OUT
2242 : NO ANSWER
2243 : IF HE DOESNT COME OUT GOING TO DISENGAGE
2243 : [REDACTED] TRYING THE REAR
2243 : THE NO ANSWER AT THE DOOR IS THE L TO THE NORTH OF 235**
2245 : BUNKER IN REAR
2251 : PER L4C IF NO CONTACT CAN BE MADE THIS WILL BE A DISENGAGEMENT....NO VICTIMS AND HE DOESNT WANT TO BE SEEN
2258 : PER L4-DOING TACTICAL DISENGAGEMENT
2302 : L4 REALEASED THE INNER AND OUTER PERIMETER
2302 : L4C - CLEARED 4
2303 : 174C - CLEARED 4V
2306 : 9170E - CLEARED 4
2306 : 9041E - CLEARED 4
2308 : RELEAASED*
2308 : RELEASED **
2315 : 173C - CLEARED 4
2317 : COMPLETED DEBRIEF
2317 : 9030E - CLEARED 4V

0130 : IRU,

Units

173C

9040E

174C

9041E

[REDACTED]

9170E

[REDACTED]

L4C

[REDACTED]

MCR4

[REDACTED]

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Location 235 CHITTENDEN AVE **Apt**
Cross Streets SUMMIT ST / N 4TH ST **County** FRANKLIN
District 42 **Zone** 04
Caller **Phone**
Contact Caller

Rec **Disp** **Enr** **Arr** **Clr**
01:30:43 01:31:22 01:33:10

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0130 [REDACTED] - 16B IN THE ALLEY WITH 33A
0131 : SHOTS FIRED
0131 : CFD ADV
0132 : [REDACTED] WILL NEED THE ALLY SHUT DOWN
0132 : NE OF SUB AND NW OF SUB
0132 : SHUT DOWN BOTH ENTRANCES TO THE SUB
0132 : MEDICS NEED TO COME IN THE ALLY OF 4 SUB NORTH SIDE
0133 : SENDING IN MEDIC
0133 : Duplicate Event: Location = 235 CHITTENDEN AVE CBUS, Cross Street 1 = SUMMIT ST, Cross Street 2 = N 4TH ST, Type = 3 OFFICER IN TROUBLE, Call Source = OFFICER, Alarm Level = 0
0133 : CFD ENR
0133 : ** >>>> by: GERALD C. BUTLER on terminal: cad-fa02-fd24
0133 : ** Cross Referenced to Event # [REDACTED] at: 09/10/24 01:32:23
0133 : ** LOI search completed at 09/10/24 01:31:01
0133 : **** [REDACTED] AIRED THE 16B WAS IN THE ALLEY W/ 33A IN HAND
0133 : 24 ADV TO COME IN FROM THE ALLEY ON NORTH SIDE
0133 : [REDACTED] -- *** [REDACTED] SHOTS FIRED
0133 : [REDACTED] -- SHOTS FIRED
0133 : ALLEY N/E AND N/W OF SUB AND BOTH ENT TO THE SUB SHUT DOWN
0133 : CFD COME IN THE ALLEY FROM THE NORTH SIDE
0133 : End of Duplicate Event data
0133 : Field Event
0133 : ALL OFFICERS ARE OK AND ACCOUNTED FOR
0133 : M7/EMS13/ ENROUTE
0133 : MEDIC 7 ROLLING IN
0133 : PER S1C7
0133 : FIRE NEEDS TO ENTER ON THE EAST SIDE
0134 : ****L4C IS ENR
0134 : MEDIC 7 JUST WEST OF ALLY

0134 : 50 OVERHEAD
0134 : 33AS WERE RECOVERED
0134 : 33A RECOVERED OFFICERS DOING CPR
0134 : MEDICS DOING CPS
0134 : CPR*
0134 : 620X ON SCENE AND OFC SUPPORT
0135 : ***121 123 620X 9040E
0136 : 9121E -- CHANGED LOCATION TO @SUB 4 ** OFFICER SUPPORT
0136 : **L4C WANTS 4A MONITERED AND TATICAL
0136 : M7 PRONOUNCED ***
0136 : MEDIC 7 PRONOUNCED
0137 : 9040 GETTING MOBILE SUB
0137 : LEFT VM FOR SGT MCCONNELL
0137 : ADVISED SGT MARABLE
0138 : 144C --RESPONDING FOR OFFICER SUPPORT
0139 : DC WEINER FIREAEMS REVIEW BOARD ADV
0139 : ***PER L4C ASKING FOR OFFICER SUPPORT TO MIDWATCH SUB
0140 : CMDR MCFADDEN ADV
0140 : L4C -- ASKING FOR CHOPPER TO MAKE SURE WE GOT GOOD CONTAINMENT
0141 : 33C - BLK F150 JTW3806 STRUCK BY GUNFIRE
0141 : 144C -- CHANGED LOCATION TO @MIDWATCH SUB ZONE 4
0141 : 144C -- CHANGED LOCATION TO @SUB MIDWATCH ZONE 4
0142 : ***PER L4C HAS 6 INVOLVED **
0144 : S17C NEEDS ANOTHER SGT TO RESPOND
0145 : S9C -- CHANGED LOCATION TO @SUB 4
0146 : 9170E -- NEEDS SOMEONE 259 AND 257 CHIT IN THE FRONT 9170E IS IN THE REAR
0146 : 34C -- CHANGED LOCATION TO 259 CHIT:IRO
0146 : 34C -- CHANGED LOCATION TO 259 CHIT:IFO
0146 : 9170E -- CHANGED LOCATION TO 259 CHIT:IRO
0147 : 9041E -- CHANGED LOCATION TO 259 CHIT:IFO
0148 : MOBILE SUB WILL BE IFO 222 E 11TH
0148 : 550 - CLEARED 4
0149 : 34C -- CHANGED LOCATION TO CHI/4:SHUTTING DOWN
0150 : 628X -- CHANGED LOCATION TO @SUB M
0150 : CHITTENDEN IS SHUT DOWN <> 4TH AND SUMMIT
0150 : NO VEH'S AND NO PED
0152 : 33C -- CHANGED LOCATION TO BLOCKING ALLEY N/O CHITTENDEN NO SB TRAFFIC
0157 : C/P IS WITH THE MOBILE SUB AT 222 E 11TH
0158 : 172 SHUTTING DOWN THE SB LANES OF SUMMIT FROM CHITTENDEN
0159 : ***CHITTENDEN IS ALL SHUT DOWN AND TAPED OFF ***
0159 : 628X - CLEARED 2V
0201 : ***L1C AND L2C ARE ENR TO Z4 MIDWATCH SUB FOR OFFICER SUPPORT
0202 : 173C -- CHANGED LOCATION TO ON CHITTENDEN W/O 4TH BLOCKING ALLEY
0203 : 174C -- CHANGED LOCATION TO W/O SCENE IN THE ALLEY
0204 : **MEDIA ON SCENE AT SUMMIT/11TH MARATHON ***
0206 : ***5224 IS ON THE AIR ... TAKING CLEARANCE TO S17C
0217 : [REDACTED] -- CHANGED LOCATION TO @SUB M
0218 : 124C - CLEARED 4
0220 : K95 - CLEARED 4V

0220 : SEE ALSO [REDACTED]
0223 : 9170E -- GUARD LOG IS IN 9170E CRUISER IN THE ALLEY NO 11TH E/O 4 SUB
0234 : ***PER L4C REACTIVE BWC AND LEAVE THEM ON

Units

<u>123C</u>	<u>124C</u>	<u>144C</u>	<u>170C</u>	<u>171C</u>	<u>172C</u>	<u>173C</u>
<u>174C</u>	<u>30C</u>	<u>31C</u>	<u>33C</u>	<u>34C</u>	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	<u>550</u>	<u>628X</u>	<u>9030E</u>	<u>9040E</u>	<u>9041E</u>
<u>9121E</u>	<u>9170E</u>	<u>K95</u>	<u>L1C</u>	<u>L2C</u>	<u>L3C</u>	<u>L4C</u>
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OFFICIAL TEN CODE

10-3 Officer in Trouble
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 10-5 Auto Crash (Injury)
 10-5A Auto Crash (Injury Hit Skip)
 10-6 Traffic Violator/Complaint
 10-6A Vehicle Obstructing
 10-6B Parking Complaint
 10-6S Selective Traffic Enforcement
 10-7 Burglary Report
 10-7A Open Door/Window
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 10-10 Bomb Threat
 10-10A Bomb Threat (Suspicious Package Found)
 10-12 Check for Registration/Operator's License/Stolen
 10-13 Check for Tickets
 10-14 Cutting or Stabbing
 10-15 Call Home
 10-16 Disturbance
 10-16A Information/Assistance
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 10-16C Loud Noise
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 10-17A Domestic Dispute
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 10-27 Assault or Hospital Report
 10-27A Telephone Harassment
 10-28 Homicide
 10-29 Juvenile Complaint
 10-30 Larceny in Progress
 10-30A Larceny Report
 10-30B Shoplifting
 10-31 Missing Person/High-Risk Missing Person
 10-31A Missing Person Returned
 10-32 Message
 10-33 Person With Gun
 10-33A Person With Knife
 10-34 Unknown Complaint
 10-34A Unknown Call (Panic Alarm)
 10-34B 9-1-1 Hang-up Call
 10-34C Check on the Well Being
 10-35 OVI Complaint
 10-36 Obstruction in the Street
 10-37 Official or Visitor
 10-37E Explorer Ride-along
 10-38 Property Destruction in Progress
 10-38A Property Destruction Report
 10-39 Prowlers
 10-40 Recovered Property
 10-41 Robbery-Just Occurred

10-41A Robbery Report
 10-42 Robbery in Progress
 10-42A Robbery Alarm
 10-42E Electronic Satellite Robbery Alert
 10-43 Shooting
 10-43A Shots Fired
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 10-44 Sex Crime in Progress
 10-44A Sex Crime Report
 10-44B Indecent Exposure
 10-45 Stolen/Suspected Stolen Vehicle, Lost/Stolen License Plate
 10-45A Stolen Vehicle Recovered/
 Apprehensions
 10-46 Stranded Motorist
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 10-48A Suspicious Person
 10-48G Suspected Threat Group Member/
 Activity
 10-49 Vice Complaint
 10-49A Narcotics Complaint
 10-50 Wanted Person
 10-50A Wanted Felon
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 10-51 Prisoner Transport
 10-52 Wrecker Run
 10-54 Work Traffic
 10-55 House Watch
 10-55A Park, Walk, and Talk
 10-56 Request for Lunch Break
 10-57 Request for Assistance (Back-up)
 10-58 Guard Duty
 10-60 Emergency Vehicle Operations (EVO)

Clearance Disposition Codes

Code 1: Report Completed and/or Citation Issued

Code 1A: False Alarm - Notice Left

Code 2: Party Advised or No Report Needed

Code 3: Arrest Made

Code 4: Non-Arrest Situation
 Errand Completed

Note: Add the letter "V" following any of the above codes to indicate the use of a Division video recording device during the incident.

General Information

A number preceded by *Signal* (that is, *Signal 580*) call that station by telephone.

All transmissions will be brief, concise, and necessary.

All units will respond with their call number and location when called by means of radio. Exceptions are supervisors and personnel in unmarked cars when disclosure of their location would interfere with their assignment.

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I. Definitions

A. Elopement

A term used by the mental health system to describe when a person has left a mental health facility or general hospital emergency department before being evaluated by a psychiatrist, after being taken there due to a need for emergency hospitalization as documented by a completed Pink Slip, or due to the need for court-ordered treatment of a mentally ill person as documented by a temporary order of detention from the appropriate Probate Court.

B. Mental Illness

A substantial disorder of thought, mood, perception, orientation, or memory that grossly impairs judgment, behavior, capacity to recognize reality, or the ability to meet the ordinary demands of life.

C. Mobile Crisis Response (MCR) Unit

A specialized Division unit composed of highly trained sworn personnel and licensed clinicians from Columbus Public Health whose primary mission is to respond to complex calls for service that involve mental health or substance use. The unit seeks to divert persons in crisis from the criminal justice system by referring them to mental health services or transporting them to area hospitals for treatment as appropriate.

D. Pink Slip

A familiar name given to the Application for Emergency Admission, form DMHAS-0025, created by the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to document the probable cause for an emergency hospitalization.

E. Rapid Response Emergency Addiction Crisis Team (RREACT)

A team composed of sworn personnel from the Division of Police and Division of Fire and clinicians from the Central Ohio Area on Aging Agency, Southeast Healthcare, and Franklin County Family and Children First Council (FCFCFC). The team's primary mission is to connect with persons who recently experienced an overdose, according to available historical information and individual referrals, and link them to area treatment centers. RREACT also offers training to first responders and provides educational resources to family members and friends of those struggling with substance abuse.

F. Therapy Dog Unit

A specialized Division unit composed of sworn personnel from therapy dog and certified handler teams whose mission is to enhance police responses, provide assistance during interviews and appointments, and serve as ambassadors during public events. The unit also offers emotional support to residents, first responders, and others involved in traumatic events.

II. Policy Statements

A. Probate Court Order

1. Sworn personnel shall take into custody and transport a person with a mental illness whenever there is a probate court order granting authority to do so. When the court order grants that authority to a foreign agency, sworn personnel shall detain the person and contact that foreign agency to request that they respond and take custody. When the foreign agency will not respond or cannot respond in a timely manner, the individual should be transported to the listed mental health facility for admission under emergency hospitalization.
 - a. Probate court orders are only valid for 10 days.
 - b. A patrol or SWAT lieutenant should consider disengagement with a plan to delay contact or custody when it is reasonably believed continued contact with a non-criminal subject may cause an unreasonable risk to the person in crisis, the public, or law enforcement personnel. Refer to the "Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)" directive for additional information.

B. Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 5122.10, Emergency Hospitalization

1. ORC Section 5122.10 grants that law enforcement personnel may take a person with a mental illness into custody to ensure the safety of the person and others. Under this authority and whenever safe and appropriate, sworn personnel shall take into custody and transport to a mental health facility or hospital for a mental health evaluation any person who, due to the person's mental illness:
 - a. Represents a substantial risk of physical harm to self as evidenced by threats of or attempts at suicide or serious self-inflicted bodily harm;
 - b. Represents a substantial risk of physical harm to others as evidenced by recent homicidal or violent behavior, recent threats that place another in fear of serious physical harm, or other evidence of present dangerousness;
 - c. Represents a substantial and immediate risk of serious physical impairment or injury to self due to the individual's inability or failure to provide for basic physical needs which cannot be made immediately available; or

- d. Is in need of treatment in a hospital for the mental illness due to behavior that creates a grave and imminent risk to the rights of others or the individual.
 - (1) Sworn personnel shall not take someone into custody for emergency hospitalization using ORC Section 5122.01(B)(5). That subsection of the statute requires action by the appropriate Probate Court.
 - (2) A patrol or SWAT lieutenant should consider disengagement when it is reasonably believed continued contact with a non-criminal subject may cause an unreasonable risk to the person in crisis, the public, or law enforcement personnel. Refer to the “Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)” directive for additional information.
- 2. If a third party (for example, a healthcare provider) requests a transport, sworn Division personnel shall complete an independent assessment to determine whether the criteria in ORC Section 5122.10 are met and either:
 - a. Complete and sign a Pink Slip, or
 - b. Ensure that a Pink Slip previously completed by the third party meets the criteria in ORC Section 5122.10 and that the third party works in a profession legally authorized to issue a Pink Slip.
- C. When available, Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) officers should respond to calls for service involving persons with a mental illness, persons in a mental health crisis, persons who have attempted suicide, or persons who are threatening suicide. MCR Unit personnel may also be requested if needed.
 - 1. When at the scene, CIT or MCR Unit officers and supervisors should be responsible for handling the call for service involving a person with a mental illness or a person attempting or threatening suicide due to their additional training and experience. Other responding officers or supervisors should defer to the CIT or MCR Unit officer unless there are extenuating circumstances or a need for some other form of expertise, such as a hostage negotiator.
 - 2. CIT officers should request a supervisor’s approval before responding to calls for service off their assigned precinct unless dispatched or assigned by Communications personnel.
 - 3. Refer to the “Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)” directive for additional information about barricaded individuals and requesting a hostage negotiator or SWAT response.
- D. Persons with a mental illness or persons in a mental health crisis being charged with an offense should be processed as any other prisoner. The preferred course of action is that the person be taken to jail even if there is an existing probate order of detention.
 - 1. For a felony offense, ensure investigative personnel are informed as soon as practical of the person’s mental illness or the belief that the

- person has a mental illness due to observed signs and symptoms of mental illness.
2. For a misdemeanor offense, request a summons or file a warrant when the person is being admitted for a mental health evaluation. Refer to the “Summons and Misdemeanor Citations” and “Arrests and Warrants” directives.
- E. Sworn personnel responding to a call for service at a mental health facility or hospital emergency department shall assess the situation and determine the appropriate action as outlined below:
1. Elopement
 - a. Sworn personnel shall contact someone from the mental health facility and verify that a Pink Slip has been completed or that a temporary order of detention is in effect before searching for the person unless there is an immediate threat of harm to that person or others.
 - b. If the provisions in Section II,E,1,a are not met, responding officers will not take a person into custody without making an independent determination that the person fits the criteria for an emergency hospitalization. Personnel can use information from other sources to develop and substantiate probable cause.
 2. Disturbance or some other call involving a breach of the peace
 - a. Sworn personnel shall only maintain the peace and address criminal offenses as applicable and observed or reported.
 - b. Sworn personnel shall not assist facility staff with the use of mechanical restraints, the administration of drugs, or any other form of treatment.
- F. Sworn personnel may transport persons with a mental illness from a mental health facility or hospital emergency department to another mental health facility or hospital emergency department only when all of the following apply:
1. At the time of arrival, the person is exhibiting violent behavior and/or making threats that place others in fear of physical harm, or evidence can be presented to responding officers to show that the person is likely going to exhibit violent behavior to the extent that other persons present will be subjected to physical harm.
 2. The transport is directly from a facility in the City of Columbus to another facility located in the City of Columbus.
 3. Pre-arrangements have been made between the two facilities and the receiving facility will take the person being transported without question.
 4. The requesting facility has no alternative method of safely transporting the individual.
 5. A PTV or two-officer unit completes the transport.
 6. A sworn supervisor approves the request.
- G. Entry-level Division personnel shall receive documented mental health training. All Division personnel shall receive annual documented training.

III. Procedures

- A. For persons with a mental illness or persons in a mental health crisis who do not meet the criteria for emergency hospitalization under Section II,B, do one of the following:
 - 1. Refer a family member or the person to a mental health facility. When the person is a juvenile, contact the facility listed in Section III,F,3.
 - 2. Refer a family member to the crisis center to request assistance from the Probate Pre-Screeners.
 - 3. Request the person's consent to be transported to a mental health center or hospital emergency department for evaluation. If consent is granted, transport the individual following procedures in Section III,F.
- B. When no transport is made of a person with a mental illness or person in mental health crisis, complete the Mental Health Contact form in the electronic reporting system.
- C. For persons with a mental illness or persons in a mental health crisis who meet the criteria for emergency hospitalization under Section II,B, do the following:
 - 1. Explain all of the following to the individual:
 - a. Sworn officer's name, rank, and employment with the Columbus Division of Police;
 - b. That the person is being taken into custody for emergency hospitalization and is not being placed under arrest;
 - c. The name of the facility to which the person is being transported; and
 - d. That the transport is for an examination by mental health professionals.
 - 2. Take the person into custody in the least conspicuous manner possible.
 - 3. Complete a Pink Slip and note it in the electronic reporting system.
 - a. If a third party already completed a Pink Slip, ensure that it meets the criteria in ORC Section 5122.10 and that the third party works in a profession legally authorized to issue a Pink Slip.
 - b. Contact a supervisor or the MCR Unit if the legality of a Pink Slip is in question.
 - 4. Transport the individual following the procedures in Section III,F.
- D. Completing and processing a Pink Slip
 - 1. List the circumstances and reasons that the person was taken into custody in the "Statement of Belief" section. Include the following:
 - a. How sworn personnel came into contact with the person.
 - b. Symptoms of mental illness reported by the person or witnesses.
 - c. Signs of mental illness observed by sworn personnel or reported by witnesses.
 - d. Risk assessment statements, including any of the following:
 - (1) Current intent to harm him or herself or others to include available plans and/or means.

- (2) Any history of suicidal or homicidal tendencies or previous actions to include the method and outcome.
- (3) Prior treatment for mental illness and outcome.
- e. A conclusion supporting the need for the person to be evaluated at a mental health facility.
- 2. Ensure that all blocks on the form are completed to include the signature on the second page.
- 3. Present the Pink Slip when submitting the person for admission to the mental health facility or hospital emergency department.
- E. Elopement
 - 1. Locate the individual who eloped from the mental health facility and determine along with mental health facility staff the appropriate course of action for the individual.
 - 2. If directed, transport the individual to a hospital emergency department and determine if a second Pink Slip is needed.
 - 3. Complete an Aid and Transport incident report.
- F. Transporting Persons with a Mental Illness or Persons in a Mental Health Crisis
 - 1. Transport adults to one of the following locations:
 - a. Crisis care or crisis facility (if available). Refer to the "Crisis Care/Crisis Facilities" document available on the "CIT (Crisis Intervention)" page of the Division's intranet.
 - b. Any area hospital. Any person who needs medical attention must be transported to an emergency department.
 - 2. Transport military veterans to Riverside Methodist Hospital Emergency Department. If charges are filed against a military veteran, refer the case to mental health court by making a notation at the bottom of the narrative on the Arrest Information, form U-10.100.
 - 3. Transport juveniles to one of the following locations. Call the Nationwide Children's Emergency Communication Center line at (614) 722-6868 prior to transport. The number is always monitored.
 - a. Nationwide Children's Hospital Emergency Department when the person is 17 years of age or younger and needs medical attention.
 - b. Nationwide Children's Hospital Behavioral Health Center when the person is 17 years of age or younger and only needs behavioral health services. Enter the sally port at the rear of the building from 431 Metzel Road.
 - 4. Complete an electronic Aid and Transport incident report. If requested, contact the Records Unit to have a copy of the report faxed or emailed to the facility.
 - 5. ***Advise the receiving facility if the individual has property that could potentially harm facility personnel or that resembles a***

weapon. If the facility refuses to accept the property, turn it in for safekeeping as outlined in the “Property and Evidence Handling” directive.

6. Remain at the facility until:
 - a. The facility receives a copy of the Aid and Transport incident report (if requested),
 - b. Any paperwork needed from sworn personnel to admit the person is completed and submitted, and
 - c. The facility accepts custody or responsibility for the person.
- G. Responding to Information Received from a Mental Health Professional of an Immediate Threat Made by a Person with a Mental Illness to Kill or Cause Serious Physical Harm to a Known Individual
 1. Communications Personnel
 - a. When the threat is not within the City of Columbus, notify the appropriate foreign agency.
 - b. When the threat is within the City of Columbus:
 - (1) Dispatch sworn personnel to the potential victim's location.
 - (2) Dispatch sworn personnel to the reporting mental health professional's location to complete the appropriate electronic incident report.
 - (3) Notify the affected precinct sergeant.
 - (4) Create a premise file for the address of the potential victim.
 - c. When contacted by the potential victim regarding the threat, dispatch sworn personnel as appropriate.
 2. Sworn Personnel Responding to a Potential Victim's Location
 - a. Attempt to locate the potential victim and determine his or her well-being.
 - b. If located, notify the victim of the threat and provide the incident report number.
 - c. If not located, leave a message for the victim to contact the Emergency Communications Center and include the phone number and incident report number.
 - d. Contact personnel completing the incident report and inform them of the notification disposition.
 3. Sworn Personnel Dispatched to the Mental Health Professional's Location
 - a. Complete the appropriate electronic incident report and include the notification disposition in the report narrative.
 - b. Notify other sworn personnel of any pertinent information as appropriate.
 4. Precinct Supervisor
 - a. Notify the zone lieutenant of the threat.
 - b. Monitor the situation.

- c. Set up guard duty or a house watch as necessary.
 - d. Relay the information to the oncoming watch.
- H. Processing a Probate Court Order from Franklin County
- 1. Sworn Personnel
 - a. Upon notification of a probate court order, contact the Franklin County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) Records at (614) 525-3364 to verify the validity of the probate court order and determine if any officer safety and/or other additional information is contained in the probate court order.
 - b. If the probate court order is active, contact a sworn supervisor.
 - c. If serving the probate court order or completing the transport, complete an Aid and Transport incident report, and include the FCSO supervisor's name and contact information in the report.
 - 2. Sworn Supervisor
 - a. Contact the FCSO Communications Center at (614) 525-2511 upon notification by sworn personnel of an active probate court order.
 - b. Determine if FCSO is going to serve the probate court order.
 - c. If FCSO is unable to serve the probate court order, contact an on-duty FCSO supervisor and:
 - (1) Determine if FCSO wants the Division's assistance in serving the probate court order.
 - (2) Determine where the person should be transported based on the probate court order.
 - (3) Ensure a copy of the probate court order is faxed to the receiving facility.
 - (4) Provide the FCSO supervisor's name and contact information to the transporting officers and ensure it is included in the Aid and Transport report.
- I. Disengagement
- 1. Sworn Personnel
 - a. If a patrol or SWAT lieutenant authorizes disengagement, document the following information in the appropriate incident report:
 - (1) Attempts by sworn personnel to encourage the person to surrender peacefully (for example, requesting CIT or MCR Unit personnel)
 - (2) Any actions taken by the person that led to the disengagement
 - 2. Patrol or SWAT Lieutenant
 - a. Assess the situation in accordance with the criteria outlined in Sections II,A,1,b and II,B,1,d,(2).
 - b. Authorize disengagement when appropriate and determine any necessary follow-up actions.

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I. Introduction

- A. The ***Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT)*** Section is comprised of teams of sworn personnel, including negotiators, who are specially trained and equipped with sophisticated weapons and specialized equipment.
- B. The primary mission of the SWAT Section is to confront, neutralize, and remove terrorists, snipers, hostage takers, homicidal individuals, and barricaded individuals.
- C. The SWAT Section assists the Division in reducing crime through the use of stakeouts/surveillance, decoy operations, and by serving high-risk search and arrest warrants. Individual SWAT units are used as response teams for dignitary protection and for protecting negotiators during a crisis situation.
- D. SWAT Section personnel are trained and equipped with protective suits and equipment to assist in various missions.

II. Definitions

A. Barricade

1. A ***situation in which an individual has retreated into*** a building, structure, or other barrier or gains a tactically superior position over sworn personnel, preventing or hampering efforts to be taken into custody ***while refusing law enforcement orders to exit;*** and
2. There is a reasonable belief that the ***individual:***
 - a. Is armed with a deadly weapon, or
 - b. May cause or attempt to cause serious physical harm to others or ***himself or herself.***

B. Barricaded Subject

An individual who is not believed to have committed a crime and has barricaded himself or herself as outlined in Section II,A.

C. Barricaded Suspect

An individual who is believed to have committed a crime and has barricaded himself or herself as outlined in Section II,A.

D. Disengagement

- 1. A term used to describe ending communication with a barricaded subject, repositioning personnel to a reasonably safe location, and remaining aware of the developing situation after considering the totality of the circumstances.**
- 2. Actions could include departing the location, delaying contact, or delaying custody with a plan to make contact at a different time and under different circumstances, when it is legally possible to do so.**

E. High-Risk Warrant

- 1. Any assigned warrant where there is a risk of serious physical harm to sworn personnel.**
 - a. The following factors should be considered when determining if a warrant is high-risk:**
 - (1) Suspect(s) who have committed offenses involving the infliction or attempted infliction of serious physical harm or death; or**
 - (2) Suspect(s) with a violent criminal history or a history of resisting arrest or assault on a police officer; or**
 - (3) Special environmental circumstances which may increase the risk to sworn personnel attempting apprehension, such as barricaded doors, the presence of vicious dogs, or counter-surveillance activities.**

F. SWAT Modified Active Response Team (SMART)

- 1. A reduced-scale SWAT deployment that often does not require as much equipment or personnel as a full-scale SWAT deployment, such as in the following incidents:**
 - a. Suicidal barricaded subject inside a structure, vehicle, or other confined space easily contained by law enforcement with a minimal risk to sworn personnel or the public**
 - b. Suicidal subject in an elevated position (also known as a “jumper”)**
 - c. Barricade not involving criminal factors**
 - d. Additional situations determined by a SWAT lieutenant based upon the totality of the circumstances**
- 2. A SMART deployment may include a SWAT supervisor and a limited number of SWAT officers, two hostage negotiators, the Canine Unit, and Tactical Emergency Medical Service (TEMS) personnel.**

III. Policy Statements

- A. When practical, SWAT personnel shall be advised of any situation that may require a negotiator or for which SWAT personnel are specially trained to handle as described in Section I. In addition, SWAT units shall handle situations that require special tactics, firearms, and/or protective armored equipment. When dealing with these situations, every reasonable effort shall be made to bring about a safe conclusion with tactics designed to minimize danger to all persons and damage to property.
- B. Sworn personnel at the scene of an incident shall decide the appropriate initial response. Whether the decision is to provide an immediate and direct response to a violent situation, or to contain and assess the situation to achieve the best possible resolution, the use of SWAT personnel's expertise and equipment is highly encouraged. In the event that SWAT personnel's expertise may be required, SWAT personnel should be notified as soon as practical.
- C. ***A patrol or SWAT lieutenant should consider disengagement when it is reasonably believed continued contact with a non-criminal subject may cause an unreasonable risk to a person in crisis, the public, or law enforcement personnel.***

IV. Procedures

- A. Securing a SWAT Response
 - 1. First responding sworn personnel
 - a. Protect lives.
 - b. Notify a Patrol supervisor for any situation that may require SWAT units to respond as soon as practical.
 - c. Contain the situation.
 - d. Select and communicate a safe entry route to the situation.
 - 2. Patrol Supervisor
 - a. Upon further assessment, advise Communications **personnel** to notify SWAT personnel. ***If the incident involves a barricade:***
 - (1) ***Thoroughly evaluate the situation to help SWAT determine the best response type.***
 - (2) ***Gather as much detail as possible about the barricaded subject or suspect, other occupants, type of structure, surrounding location, and previous law enforcement efforts to resolve the situation.***
 - b. Advise the zone lieutenant of the situation. ***Request the lieutenant to respond to the scene if the incident involves a barricade or hostage.***
 - c. Respond to the scene, secure an inner perimeter to contain the situation, and secure an outer perimeter to ensure the safety of sworn personnel

and citizens. Ensure that streets and alleys within the perimeter area are blocked to prevent vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

- d. Establish an initial command post location using the following criteria:
- (1) Within close proximity, but out of the line of sight of the crisis situation.
 - (2) Large enough to accommodate the SWAT Command Post and support vehicles.

- e. Request additional personnel if necessary.
- f. Do not allow anyone to enter the inner perimeter area. Allow only essential personnel in the outer perimeter.
- g. Commence the evacuation of buildings and the removal of bystanders and injured persons directly in danger. If an evacuation cannot be accomplished safely, SWAT personnel will assume this responsibility.
- h. Maintain control of the situation until SWAT personnel are ready to assume control of the inner perimeter.
- i. Maintain the outer perimeter and provide support services to SWAT personnel after they assume control of the inner perimeter.

3. Communications **Personnel**

- a. Notify the SWAT Lieutenant or designee.
- b. Contact the Columbus Division of Fire and request that emergency medical personnel respond to the command post location.
- c. Provide a dispatcher to monitor the Patrol tactical talk-group.
- d. Provide a dispatcher to monitor the SWAT tactical talk-group.
- e. Make notifications as required by the **Emergency Communications Center** SOP.

4. SWAT **Lieutenant or Designee**

- a. **Determine the type of SWAT response based upon the totality of the circumstances, including the amount of personnel, equipment, and other resources.**
- b. **Advise involved personnel whether a full-scale SWAT response or reduced-scale SMART response will be used, and notify Communications personnel as soon as practical.**
- c. **Upon arrival of sufficient personnel, take charge of the inner perimeter. Operate in accordance with the SWAT SOP.**

Note: The ranking SWAT supervisor will have command and decision-making authority over the inner perimeter. The ranking Patrol supervisor will have command authority over all other aspects of the situation. The exception to this is during a field force deployment where command authority will remain with the incident commander.

5. Negotiators

Report to the SWAT Command Post location and operate in conjunction with SWAT personnel and in accordance with the hostage negotiators' SOP.

B. Securing Other SWAT Services

1. Requesting Personnel

- a. When an immediate SWAT unit response is desired, contact any SWAT personnel ***through Communications personnel, on the SWAT channel, or at the SWAT Section office.***
- b. When the request does not require an immediate response, contact the SWAT Section office.

Note: The SWAT Section office is not staffed during all hours. Communications personnel have SWAT personnel contact information and call-out procedures.

- c. If a hostage negotiator is needed, contact the SWAT Lieutenant.

2. SWAT Lieutenant

Ensure that all requests for SWAT personnel are handled according to the SWAT SOP.