

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



2025-0883

Officer Involved Critical Incident – I-75 NB / Mile Marker 14, Evendale, Ohio (Hamilton County) (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness

Involves: Mavuba Uwihoreye (W)

Date of Activity: 03/19/2025

Activity Location: Uwihoreye, Mavuba – Home – 8327 Roland, Cincinnati, OH 45216

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Narrative:

On March 19, 2025, at approximately 1122 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Dave Hornyak and Steve Seitzman interviewed Mavuba Uwihoreye relative to the officer-involved critical incident that occurred earlier that morning on I-75 in Evendale, Ohio. The interview took place in Mr. Uwihoreye's home in Cincinnati, OH. Also present was Mr. Uwihoreye's daughter, Dorotiya Tamaria, who acted as an interpreter.

The interview was recorded on a handheld digital recording device. This report is a summary only. The entire interview can be reviewed on the recording.

After the agents expressed their sympathies to the family, Mr. Uwihoreye, who only speaks Swahili provided the following information through his daughter:

His brother, Samuel Munyarutete immigrated to the United States from Uganda in August 2024. He only spoke Swahili and Kinyarwanda.

Mr. Uwihoreye said he knew that his brother was in jail last week, but had last spoken with him the previous Thursday before he was arrested. At that time, Mr. Munyarutete told his brother that he had no upcoming plans. Mr. Uwihoreye does not know why his brother was in jail, but did hear that Mr. Munyarutete was reported to have had a stick with him when arrested.

Mr. Uwihoreye said he did not know why his brother would have been walking on the highway, but said that Mr. Munyarutete "had a mental problem" and even had a mental health doctor ride on the plane with him to the United States. Mr. Uwihoreye described Mr. Munyarutete as "not mentally okay" adding that he was "afraid of everybody." Mr. Uwihoreye stated that Mr. Munyarutete may have been suffering from trauma after previously losing multiple family members in one year.

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Mr. Munyarutete had six kids who also came over to the United States with him. They lived at 10240 Panola Drive, Cincinnati, OH. Mr. Uwihoreye said he does not understand why his brother was on the highway or how he traveled from the courthouse in Cincinnati to the area where he was killed.

Mr. Uwihoreye stated that one of his cousins would sometimes give Mr. Munyarutete a ride. Neither Mr. Uwihoreye nor Ms. Tamaria would initially provide the investigators with any information about the cousin, but after being asked multiple times ultimately identified the cousin as Mugissa Ndadijinana who resides at 250 Riddle Road, Woodlawn, OH, with phone number

For the final ten minutes at the home, the agents attempted to answer all of the family member's questions until the interview terminated at approximately 1203 hours.

References:

No references.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2025-03-19 / Mavuba Umihoreye interview

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Exhibit 1

Included as a separate file.