



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



2024-3052

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 10300 block Silvercreek
Road, Doylestown, Ohio 44230, Medina County

Investigative Activity: Review of dash and body-worn cameras of Deputy Gabriel Cotrufo

Involves: Deputy Gabriel Cotrufo (O)

Activity Date: 11/15/2024

Activity Location: BCI Richfield

Authoring Agent: SA Jon Lieber #50

Narrative:

On Friday, October 11, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Jon Lieber (Lieber) received video footage from Medina County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) Captain Kris Conwill. SA Lieber was informed that the videos contained footage from the dash and body-worn cameras (BWC) of Deputy Gabriel Cotrufo (Cotrufo).

The times referenced in this report will refer to the elapsed time of the video.

SA Lieber reviewed the video recordings and noted the following:

File title: **GabrielCotrufo_202410052207_Car11-1**

This video shows the in-vehicle dash camera in the cruiser driven by Deputy Cotrufo. The video is 51 minutes and 08 seconds in duration. Note that no sound can be heard on the video until 02:06. The video began showing Cotrufo parked at an intersection. At 01:53, Cotrufo began to drive. Cotrufo arrived at the shooting scene on Silvercreek Road at 05:03. An ambulance arrived at the same time and parked in front of Cotrufo. See screenshot below taken at 05:03.

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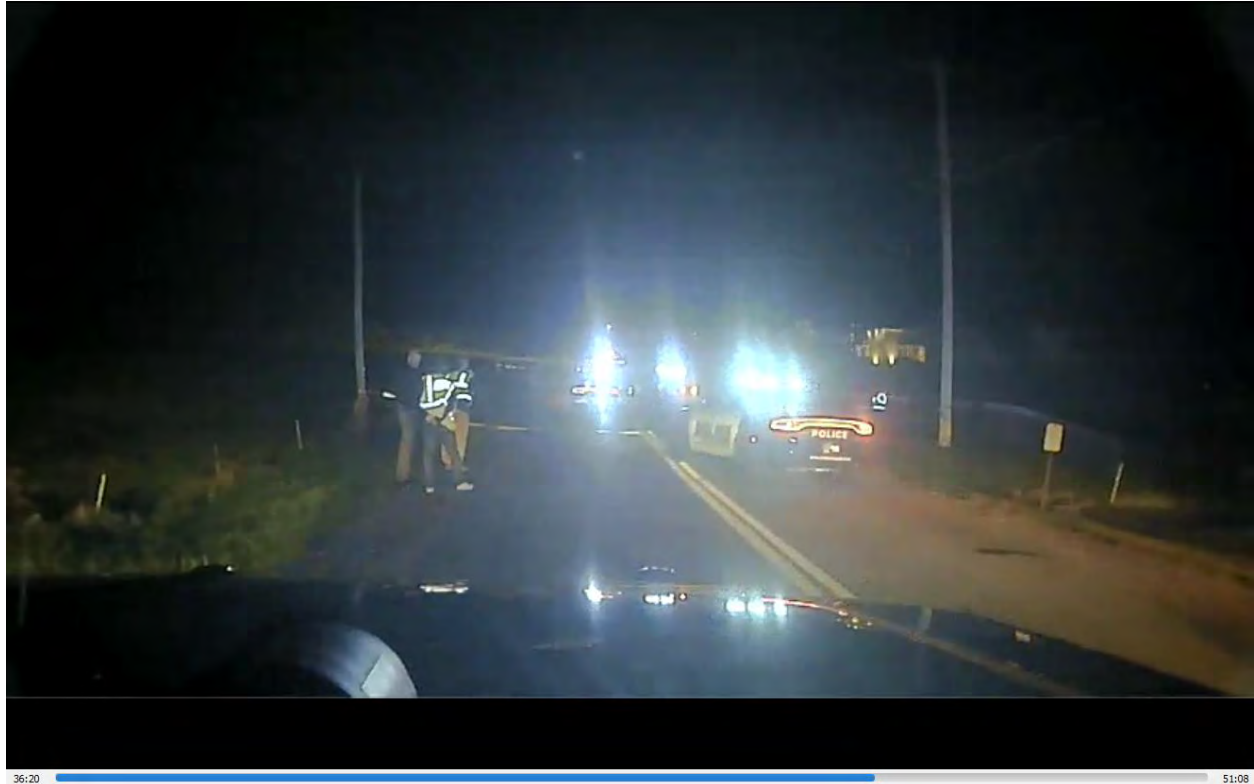
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At 35:22, Cotrufo moved his cruiser to the opposite side of the street. At 36:20, the ambulance backed out of the viewable area of the video. The view from Cotrufo's dash camera can be seen below. Screenshot taken at 36:20.



At 50:22, Cotrufo turned his vehicle around and left the scene.

At 51:08, the video ends.

File title: **GabrielCotrufo_202410052207_Car11-2**

This video shows the in-vehicle dash camera in the cruiser driven by Deputy Cotrufo. The video is 51 minutes and 08 seconds in duration. This video is the same as above only in the wide-angle version.

File title: **GabrielCotrufo_202410052207_Car11-3**

This video shows the in-vehicle rear seat camera in the cruiser driven by Deputy Cotrufo. The video is 51 minutes and 08 seconds in duration. At no time was David
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Septer put into the rear seat of Cotrufo's vehicle. As a result, this video was spot checked. At 48:22, a sheriff K-9 was placed in the rear seat area. Nothing additionally noteworthy was observed.

File title: **GabrielCotrufo_202410052209_BWC2023868-0**

This video shows the body-worn camera (BWC) video of Deputy Cotrufo. The video is 5 minutes and 04 seconds in duration. No sound can be heard until 00:30. The video began with Cotrufo seated in the driver seat. At 03:30, Cotrufo exited his vehicle at the shooting scene on Silvercreek Road. Cotrufo walked past an ambulance and approached the area where officers were providing aid to David Septer. At 5:04, the video ends.

File title: **GabrielCotrufo_202410052213_BWC2023868-0**

This video shows the body-worn camera (BWC) video of Deputy Cotrufo. The video is 32 seconds in duration. This video is the same section of video that appears at the end of the video above.

File title: **GabrielCotrufo_202410052213_BWC2023868-0**

This video shows the body-worn camera (BWC) video of Deputy Cotrufo. The video is 2 minutes and 17 seconds in duration. Nothing noteworthy was observed on this video.

File title: **GabrielCotrufo_202410052241_BWC2023868-0**

This video shows the body-worn camera (BWC) video of Deputy Cotrufo. The video is 46 seconds in duration. No sound can be heard until 00:30. Nothing noteworthy was observed on this video.

The thumb drive containing the video footage was submitted to the physical BCI case file as item D for reference only.

References:

Item D - USB Thumbdrive - BWC and Dash camera videos from MCSO [REDACTED], King, McGurk, Postlethwait, Cotrufo

Attachments:

None

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