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Officer Involved Critical Incident - 905 Brady Ave.,
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Investigative Activity: Video Surveillance Canvass
Involves: Team Automotive Steubenville
Activity Date: 05/24/2026
Activity Location: 905 Brady Ave, Steubenville Ohio 43952
Authoring Agent: SA Robert Surgenor, Jr.

Narrative:

On Sunday, May 24, 2026, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Robert Surgenor (SA Surgenor) received video footage from surveillance cameras recorded by the car dealership located at 905 Brady Ave., Steubenville Ohio 43952. SA Surgenor was informed that the videos contained footage from the surveillance cameras recorded by the dealership's VI MonitorPlus camera system. The Camera system date and time were set and synchronized via satellite-based atomic clocks and were accurate at the time of system access by SA Surgenor.

SA Surgenor reviewed the video recordings and noted the following:

Video #1 - Team Ford provided a video exported from one VI MonitorPlus camera management system. The video camera was Labeled "**Ford_Outside_Front**" and was facing in a southeast direction and faced the intersection of Brady Avenue and University Boulevard. The video clip is a total of 24:48 minutes in length and spanned from 04:40:00 PM (Video Time Stamp (VTS) - 00:00) through 5:05:00 PM (VTS - 24:48).

4:40:34 (VTS - 00:32) Image #1 depicts a black Jeep Grand Cherokee, later learned to be driven by Mathew Guy Metzger (Metzger), entered the frame from the south end of the Team Ford Steubenville car lot headed in a northward direction.

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(Image #1)

At 4:40:41PM (VTS - 00:40) the Grand Cherokee slowed to a near stop and held its position and then at 4:40:45PM (VTS - 00:44) continued north through the lot and out of the frame at 4:40:48PM (VTS - 00:47). At 4:40:58PM (VTS - 00:57) the Grand Cherokee re-entered the frame from a northward direction and then headed south on Brady Ave. and then turned eastward onto University Blvd. At 04:41:18PM (VTS - 01:17) the Grand Cherokee entered a parking located on the east side of Brady Ave. across from the Team Ford properties (Image #2).

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Metzger exited the Grand Cherokee at 04:41:26PM (VTS - 01:25) and was seen looking into the windows and then pulling on the vehicle door handles of the seven vehicles parked in that parking lot as shown in Image #3.



(Image #3)



(Image #3 - b)

At 4:44:02PM (VTS - 03:49) Metzger crossed westbound at Brady Ave. and entered the main Team Ford lot on the west side of Brady Ave. At 4:44:26PM (VTS - 04:12) depicted in in Image #4 Metzger appeared to be looking into a Ford pickup truck that was parked on ramp stilts and was on display in front of the dealership.

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(Image #4)



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He walked around the vehicle, looked inside the vehicle and pulled on the vehicle door handles. At 4:44:48 PM (VTS - 04:35) Metzger left the frame on the southwest side of the building. At 4:46:50 PM (VTS - 06:37) Metzger re-entered the frame on the southwest side of the building and then quickly exited the frame and appeared to be looking into a red Ford pickup vehicle parked that was also on display on the south side of the building. At 04:56:40 PM (VTS - 16:27) Metzger could be seen entering the frame as he walked north across Brady Ave. and at 4:56:47 PM (VTS - 16:33) Metzger appeared to reach into his waistband, pull an object from his waistband and

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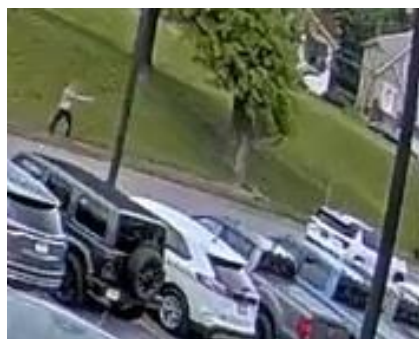
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point it in the direction of a white sport utility vehicle (SUV) that had driven past him as shown in Image #5 (*Note* This appears to be the same vehicle described inside the Team Ford Parking lot at 5:00:15 PM (VTS - 10:52) in the description of Video #2*). At 4:57:07 PM (VTS - 16:54) PM.



(Image #5)



(Image #5 - b)

He returned to his vehicle and appeared to start the vehicle and remain inside the vehicle. At 4:57:33 PM (VTS - 17:20) PM the vehicle was put into reverse and backed up slightly, and then the vehicle pulled forward and proceeded back into the same parking spot. At 4:57:51 PM (VTS - 17:38) Metzger exited the Jeep and appeared to be pacing

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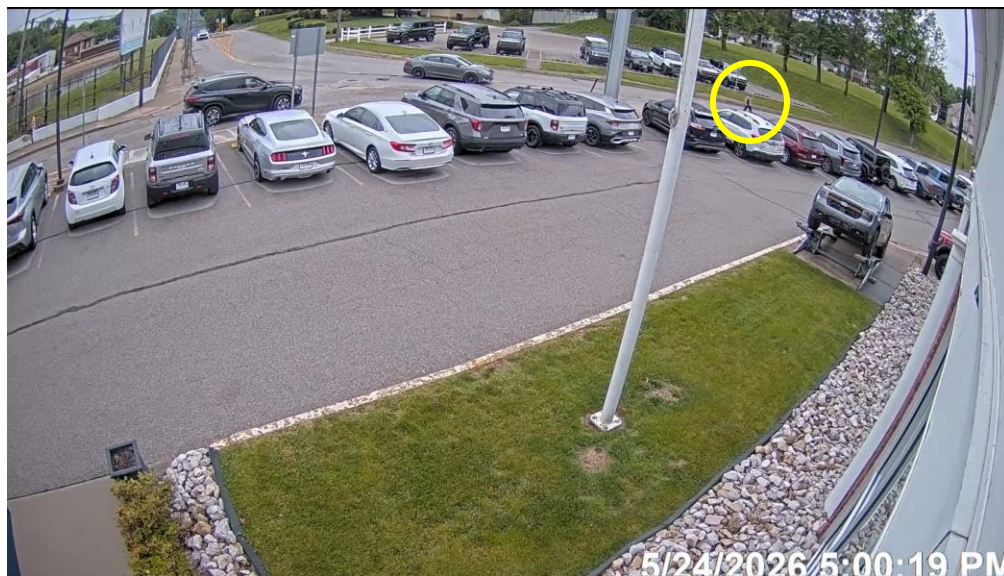
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north and south on Brady Ave. in front of the parking lot for a short time and then returned to his vehicle at 4:58:50 PM (VTS - 18:37). At this time, he opened and closed both driver and passenger side doors on the vehicle with what appeared to be brief interactions inside the vehicle. At 5:00:13 PM (VTS - 20:00) as shown in Image #6 Metzger left the parking lot and headed west across Brady Ave. back to the Team Ford parking lot and appeared to be carrying some items back to the Team Ford parking lot.



(Image #6)



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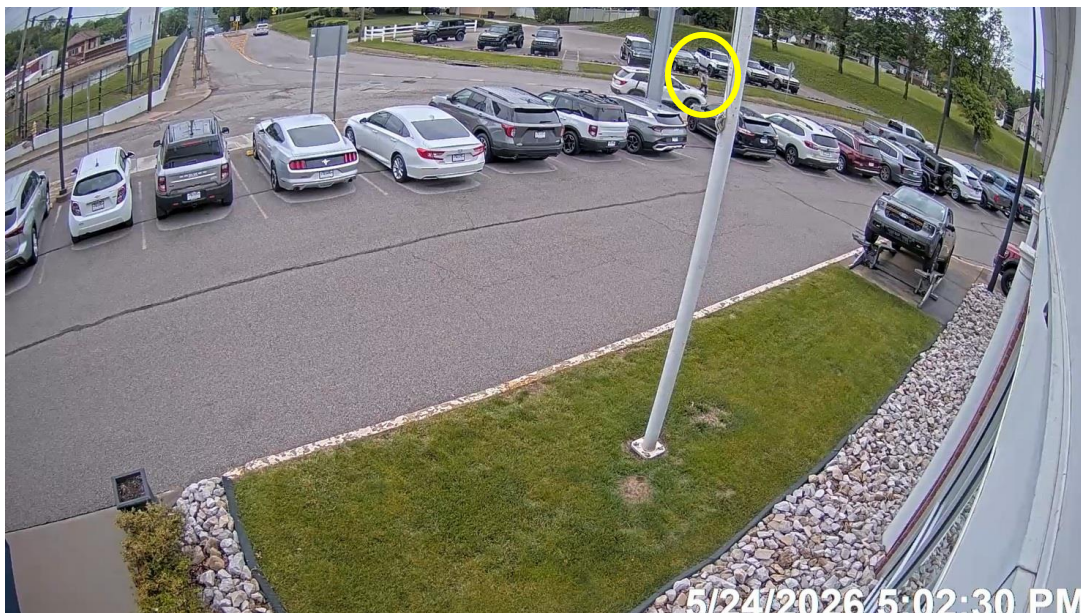
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The carried items could not be clearly seen from the camera angle provided. At 5:00:31 PM (VTS - 20:18) Metzger left the frame on the southwest section of the frame and appeared to head in the direction of the red pickup that he was looking into previously. At 5:01:12 PM (VTS - 20:59) Metzger re-entered the frame from the southwest section of the parking lot headed in a westward direction back towards the parking lot where he parked his Jeep. At 5:01:34 PM (VTS - 21:21) He approached the passenger side of his vehicle. At 5:02:28 PM (VTS - 22:15) Metzger headed from the parking lot across Brady Ave. back to the Team Ford parking lot and returned to the red pickup as shown in Image #7.



(Image #7)

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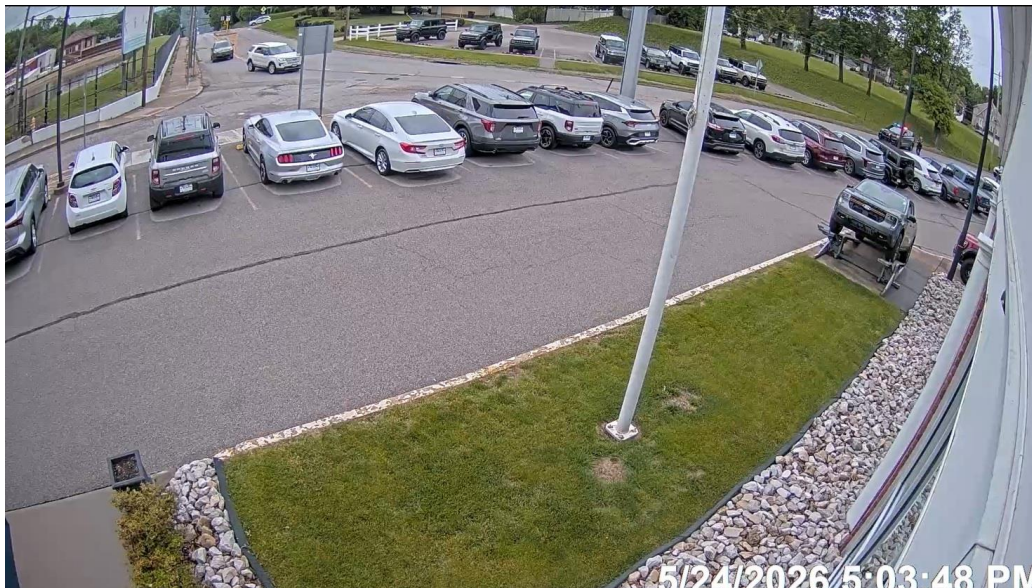
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(Image #7 - b)

At 5:03:15 PM (VTS - 23:02) he again left the area headed east from where the red pickup was parked and headed back toward the east parking lot located across Brady Ave. At 5:03:33 PM (VTS - 23:20) as shown in Image #8, the first unit from Steubenville Police Department arrived from the south on Brady Ave. and stopped before reaching the parking lot on the east side of the street where Metzger and his vehicle were located.



(Image #8)

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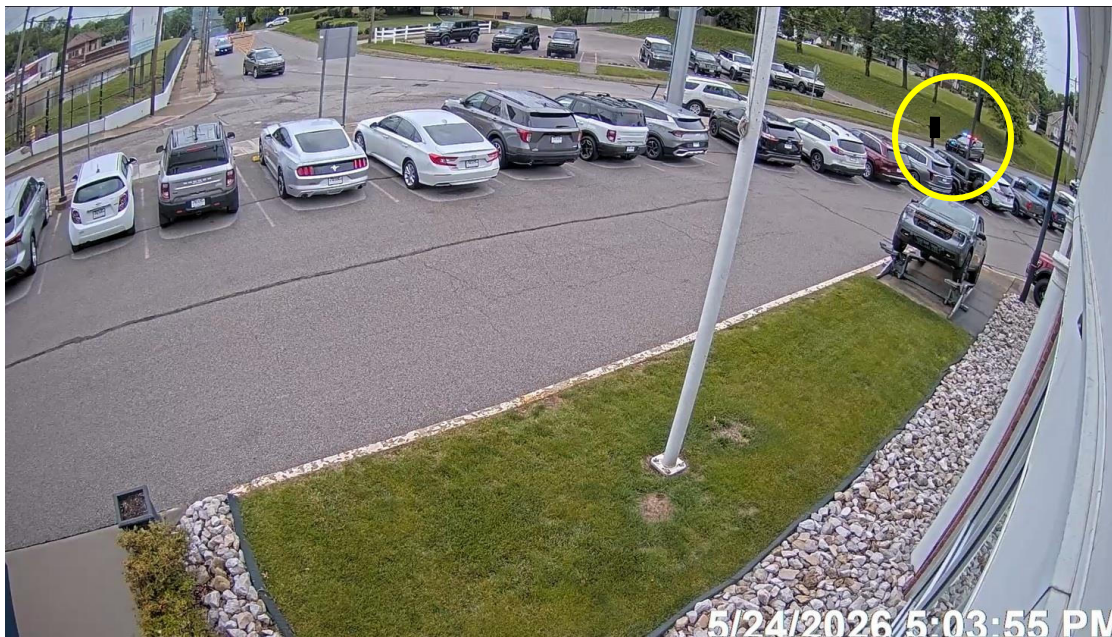
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(Image #8 - b)

Officer #1 exited his patrol vehicle at 5:03:42 PM (VTS - 23:29), as shown in Image #9, and appeared to engage and walk toward Metzger with his patrol rifle pointed in his direction.



(Image #9)

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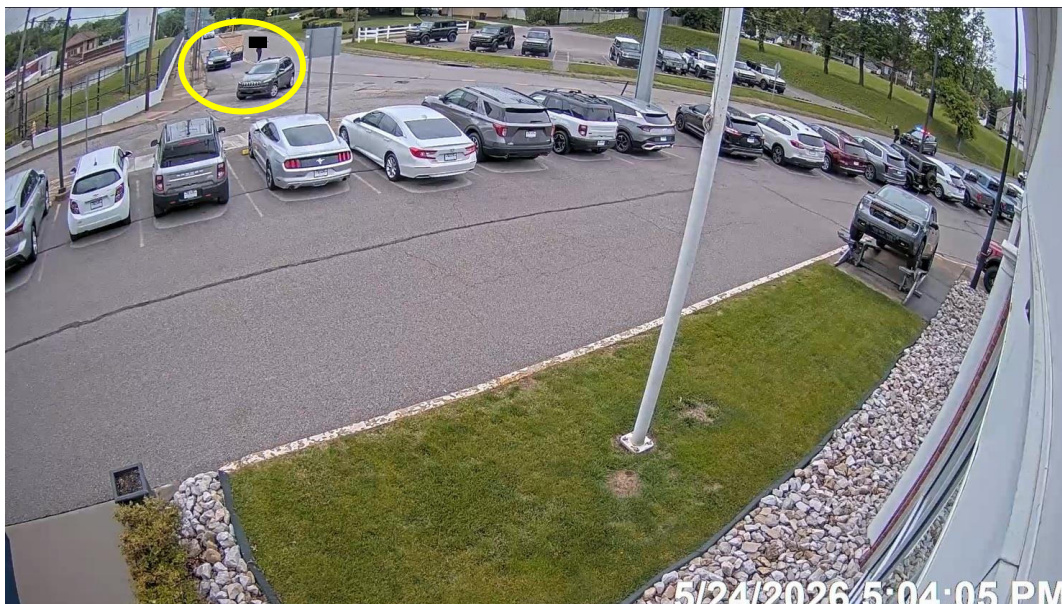
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(Image #9 - b)

At this time Metzger was located near his parked vehicle. At 5:03:55 PM (VTS - 23:42) the second patrol vehicle arrived on scene from the north side of University Blvd., just before the intersection at Brady Ave., and at 5:04:03 PM (VTS - 23:50) Officer #2 exited his vehicle and moved toward engaging with Metzger with his patrol rifle as shown in Image #10.



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During the time that both units arrived and had exited their vehicles, Metzger was in the east Team Ford parking lot between his Jeep and another parked car. Metzger came out from between the two vehicles when both officers moved in closer to him. At 5:04:17 PM (VTS - 23:54) Metzger began running towards the Team Ford dealership across Brady Ave. as shown in Image #11,



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(Image #11)



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and before he reached the sidewalk, he appeared to fall downward and out of view of the camera. At 5:05:00 PM (VTS - 24:48) the video stops.

Video #2 - Team Ford provided a video exported from one VI MonitorPlus camera management system. The video camera was Labeled "**Ford_Outside_South**" and was facing in a southern direction and faced the intersection of Brady Avenue and Pershing Ave. The video clip is a total of 24 minutes and 54 seconds in length and spanned from 04:20:06 PM (Video Time Stamp (VTS) - 00:00) through 5:05:00 PM (VTS - 13:56).

At 4:40:23 PM (VTS - 04:16) as shown in Image #12 the black Grand Cherokee driven by Metzger was seen entering the Team Ford parking lot from the southmost entry from Brady Ave. and headed north through the lot and exited the frame at 04:40:34 PM (VTS - 04:28).

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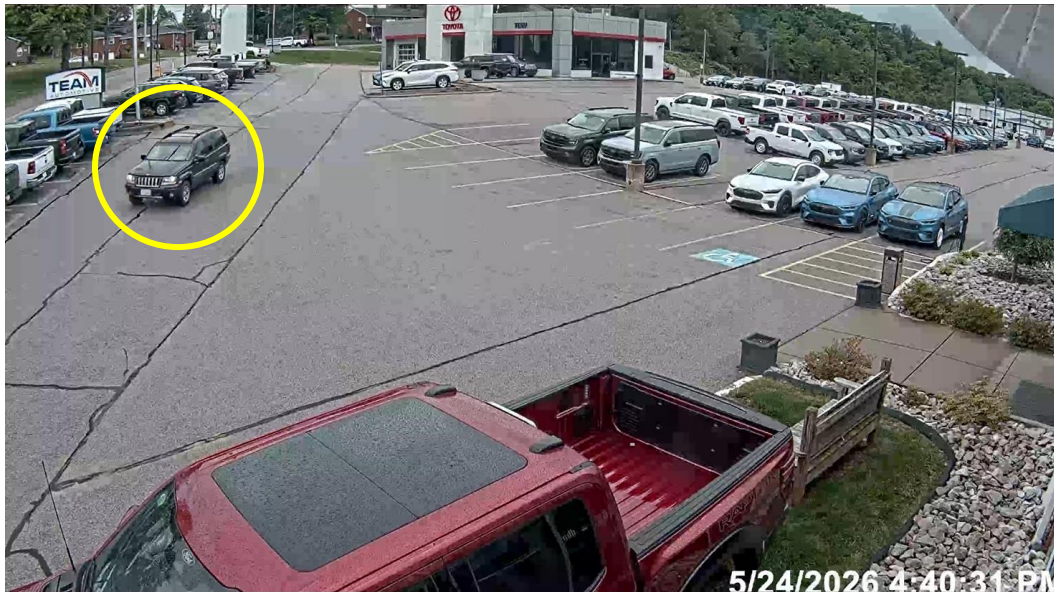


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(Image #12)

At 4:46:11 PM (VTS - 05:01) Metzger appeared in the frame and began looking into and opening a red Ford pickup truck and then walked throughout the lot where the vehicles were parked. At 4:56:48 PM (VTS - 09:17) Metzger exited the frame and walked south across Bradley Ave., in the area of the Team Automotive business sign. At 5:00:15 PM (VTS - 10:52) A white Ford Edge style SUV entered the frame traveling north through the parking lot and at 5:00:29 PM (VTS - 11:06) it came to a stop and allowed Metzger to cross in front of it. Metzger appeared to be carrying at least two long guns as shown in Image #13.

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(Image #13)

Metzger approached the red pickup that he had prior interactions with and opened the passenger front and rear doors. He then placed the weapons he was carrying inside of the passenger rear door, and this is shown in Image #14.



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Metzger then closed the passenger front and rear door of the vehicle, walked eastward and exited the frame at 5:01:11 PM (VTS - 11:48). At 5:02:44 PM (VTS - 12:30) Metzger entered the frame carrying one long-gun and what appeared to be a black binder as shown in Image #15.



(Image #15)

Metzger opened the passenger rear door and placed the long-gun and the binder into the vehicle and then closed the door, walked eastward and exited the frame 5:03:15 PM (VTS - 12:57) as shown in Image #16.

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(Image #16)

In Image #17 at 5:03:18 PM (VTS - 13:00) the first Steubenville Police cruiser entered the frame heading north on Brady Ave. and exited the frame at 5:03:34 PM (VTS - 13:03).

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(Image #17)

After this point there isn't notable activity in the video and the video stops at 5:05:00 PM (VTS - 13:56).

ADDITIONAL FACTORS FOR EVALUATING THE VIDEO RECORDINGS

There are numerous other factors that need to be considered when reviewing and evaluating the videos and audio recordings of this incident. Those factors are:

A. Video recording devices record within the video and sound capabilities available, and they record objectively. Video recordings lack the history, perspective, and interest of the people involved. The positions, angles, obstacles, lighting, and distance from the incident are also factors that need serious consideration.

B. Video recording devices also record more information about a particular scene or incident than the person(s) involved in the incident can process during the critical incident. Video recording devices rarely record an event from the same perspective of the officer. It captures the action but not the perception, decision making, focus, or

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intent of the officer. Video recordings often miss tactile cues or other actions of a subject.

C. The speed of the incident is remarkable. The speed and complexity of rapidly evolving situation(s) that occur during use of force encounters are difficult concepts to comprehend by only watching the video.

References:

Reference Item E - Team Ford Security Camera Video - stored in Axon Justice

Attachments:

None

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