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# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Erickson on 8-1-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

## OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer Erickson

### NARRATIVE:

On 8-1-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Officer Erickson at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Erickson's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Officer Erickson's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Erickson stated that he was assigned to work on 1-19-2019 and was made aware of an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) in St. Louis Park via his radio involving St. Louis Park police officers that night. Officer Erickson stated that he immediately proceeded to the incident location (2760 Louisiana Ct.). Upon his arrival to this location he met and directed CSO Gorder to begin moving all police vehicles away from the incident address to make room for arriving Law Enforcement Officers and their vehicles.

Officer Erickson stated that he was aware of the earlier call to service at this location (2760 Louisiana Ct #7) and that the initial call was related to a possible domestic assault where the suspect may have had arrest warrants or a DANCO violation.

Officer Erickson stated that he grabbed his medical equipment bag and proceeded to enter 2760 Louisiana Ct. #7 and then the back left bedroom for this apartment. Officer Erickson stated that he observed Officers Peek, Smith, Pacholke and Heffernan in this bedroom along with an unknown male (Matthew Tuhkanen) laying on the ground. Officer Erickson stated that he observed "3rds center mass" (believed to be gun shot wounds to the chest) on the unknown individual laying on the ground in this bedroom. Officer Erickson further stated that he observed Officers Peek and Pacholke rolling the unknown male onto his stomach so he could be handcuffed.

Officer Erickson stated that he asked all four police officers who had fired their weapon and Officer Erickson stated Officer Peek stated something to the effect "fired three rounds". Officer Erickson stated that Officer Heffernan then stated "I thought he was going to kill me" (implied Matthew Tuhkanen). Officer Erickson stated that Officer Heffernan did not make any further statements and that he (Officer Erickson) escorted Officer Heffernan out of apartment #7 and down to the cul de sac.

Officer Erickson stated that he brought Officer Heffernan to a nearby St. Louis Park Police Department police vehicle in the cul de sac. Officer Erickson stated that he only spoke with Officer Heffernan about television shows at this time and that he was only with Officer Heffernan for approximately 3-5minutes before Sgt. Balvin took custody of Officer Heffernan. Officer Erickson stated that after Officer Heffernan was removed from his custody he did not speak with any other Law Enforcement Officers regarding this OIS.

Officer Erickson stated that Sgt. Balvin returned Officer Heffernan to his custody approximately 3-5minutes later and instructed him (Officer Erickson) to transport Officer Heffernan back to the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Erickson stated that he did not have any conversations with Officer Heffernan on their way back to the St. Louis Park Police Department.

Officer Erickson stated he was designated Officer Heffernan's "care officer" that night. Officer Erickson stated that a care officer sits with and takes care of any needs their assigned officer may need or have.

Officer Erickson stated that when they arrived back at the St. Louis Park Police Department he escorted Officer Heffernan to the front supervisors' office. Officer Erickson stated that he only stepped out of this office when Officer Heffernan called and spoke with his lawyer or legal representative and that he returned shortly after Officer Heffernan was done speaking to this individual. Officer Heffernan stated that a Chaplain stopped by to speak with Officer Heffernan and again at this time Officer Erickson stated he stepped out of this room to give both of them privacy. Officer Erikson stated that he returned back to this office upon the completion of Officer Heffernan and the Chaplain's conversation.

Officer Erickson stated that he did not have any conversations with Officer Heffernan while he was present in this office. Officer Erickson stated that he did have EMS (Emergency Medical Services) come to the office to take vital signs of Officer Heffernan at some point.

Officer Erickson stated he was present when Officer Heffernan was processed by Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Crime Lab Technicians. Officer Erickson stated that he escorted Officer Heffernan to a secondary office when Officer Heffernan's lawyer arrived at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Erickson stated that he was not present when Officer Heffernan spoke with his lawyer at this time.

Officer Erickson stated that after Officer Heffernan's meeting with his lawyer, he drove Officer Heffernan home that night. Officer Erickson stated that he did not talk to Officer Heffernan about the OIS during their drive home that night.

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Statement of Officer Jacob Erickson, DOB: , taken at 17:26 HOURS on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Samantha Grates typing. Hennepin

County Sheriff's Office Case No.19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck

JE Officer Jacob Erickson, Saint Louis Park Police Department

CLN Today's date is August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 it's approximately 5:26 in the evening. Detective

Nybeck Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department. And I'm here with, can I get your rank and full name please?

JE Yes, it's Officer Jacob Erickson.

CLN Okay a just to let you know before I ask you any questions related to the interview here. This is a voluntary consensual interview related to Saint Louis Park PD case

number 19000303 and Hennepin County Sheriff's Office case number 19000783.

Case number 19000303 is related to an OIS that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on 1/19/2019 involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park PD. Additionally is it correct that I have not threatened, coerced, or demanded that you speak to me for

this interview?

JE Yes, that's correct.

CLN Okay a just to let you know the purpose of this interview and the subsequent

accompanying report based upon this interview is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to the

above listed case number. Does that all make sense?

JE Yes.

CLN Do you have any questions before we start?

JE No

CLN Were you scheduled to work on January 19<sup>th</sup> of this year?

JE Yes

CLN Okay. And what were your hours that day?

JE 4 P.M. to 3 A.M.

CLN Okay at some point, during your shift were you notified of an OIS that occurred in

your city?

JE Yes.

CLN And how were you notified?

JE It was aired over the radio.

CLN Okay upon receiving that information by your radio. What did you do?

JE I was already in route to the location.

CLN Okay uh...

JE ...to continue to respond.

CLN Okay when you arrived what did you do?

JE I grabbed my medical bag from the back of my squad car. I told CSO, at the time CSO Gorder to move a, the squad cars that were in front of the building so that other

responders could have access.

CLN Okay after you spoke with CSO Gorder what did you do next?

JE I went upstairs to the unit and I located my partners in the back bedroom.

CLN Okay. A let's just go back real quick when you responded to the scene. What, do you

remember what the address was?

JE Uh it was 2760 Louisiana Court. Um, and I don't know I can't remember. I want to say

unit 6 but I'm not a hundred percent positive what unit.

CLN Okay. Do you remember what floor it was on?

JE It was if you come in the front entryway you went up the first flight of stairs and it was

on your right.

CLN First one on your right?

JE Yep.

CLN Okay. And I'm sorry if I asked this but did you, it was code 3?

JE Yes.

CLN Okay and can you, do you recall specifically what was aired on the radio that?

JE Uh so there was, a, the initial call was earlier in the day a, and it was regarding a male that we were made aware had uh several warrants for his arrest and there was a possible uh. Uh it might have been DANCO violation or order for protection violation. I would have to refer to my reports to see if I noted that in that. Uh but we were alerted that the male was back uh and I was coming from a call that responded to out of the

city when it was aired over the radio that shots were fired.

CLN Okay. So let's jump back to where we kind of stopped off at. You had CSO Gorder move the vehicles to create space for incoming law enforcement and I'm sorry what

did you do next after that?

Uh after I told uh her to move there was a couple squad cars I wanted her to move them up on the curbs. Uh I ran into the building she had the door already opened up for incoming responders. Uh and I went up the first flight of stairs and it was a, on the right hand side and I came through the living room uh and the bedroom the hallway took a T. Uh and I it was bedroom on the left where I located my partners.

CLN And who was inside when you arrived?

JE It was Officer Heffernan, Officer Peek, Officer Pacholke, and Officer Smith.

CLN Anybody else inside that room at the time?

JE Not that I can recall.

CLN Was there anybody laying on the ground at that time?

JE Yes.

arrives on scene.

And was that person awake, semi-conscious, or what was there condition? CLN Uh they, the individual uh. I was alerted that there was a three rounds center mass to JΕ the individual on the ground uh and he was as I came into the room. I know it was Officer Peek uh and I want to say it might have been Officer Pacholke that were beginning to roll this, the individual over. UH and began placing handcuffs on him. CLN Okay. Who advised you that the individual on the ground had been shot three times? It was Officer Peek. [Inaudible 05:06] it was Officer Peek. JΕ Uh did Officer Peek or any officer in that room uh advise you about who fired those CLN rounds? I asked. JΕ CLN And who did you ask? Uh I just asked, I asked the group. JΕ CLN And did you receive an answer? JΕ Yes. CLN And what was the answer? JΕ It was Officer Heffernan. CLN And who, who provided that answer to you? He did himself. JE Okay did he provide any other information regarding what had happened in that room CLN prior to him firing his weapon or after he fired his weapon? Uh he made a, an utterance after uh. So when I arrived in the room I, we the suspect JΕ was detained in handcuffs a he was then rolled onto his back. I began um assisting and removing items from my medical bag and divvying them up to start rendering medical aid. Uh it was at that point when I felt my partners a, could handle the, the medical scene with the, with the people on hand that I removed Officer Heffernan from the scene. And you said he had made a spontaneous utterance, or and utterance? CLN JΕ Yes. CLN And what was that utterance? A he said "I thought he was going to kill me." JΕ CLN Okay. Did he elaborate further? JE -No. CLN Did he make further statements? JE No. Why did you remove him from the room? CLN It was just a, a policy that we have in our department to remove the officer involved. JΕ

Uh and separate him from the scene until the responding uh, a S-, a duty sergeant

CLN Now when he made that statement to you something to the effect of I thought he was going kill me. Did you, did you ask a follow up question like what are you talking about? What do you mean? What did you see?

JE No.

CLN Okay so was there any communication between you and Officer Heffernan after he made that statement?

JE Um yeah it was not. There was communication unrelated to the case.

CLN Okay

JE Um it was I remember we, I moved him to the back a of a nearby squad car and it was uh like a conversation about something that we were going to do when got back to the police department like while what TV show we were going to watch in the meantime.

CLN Okay. So were you the one that escorted Officer Heffernan from apartment number 7 to the squad car?

JE Yes.

CLN Anybody else accompany you?

JE No.

CLN A how long were you with Officer Heffernan in the back of the squad approximately?

JE Three to five minutes or less.

CLN Okay and then what happened with Officer Heffernan?

JE I was, Sergeant Balvin, um Sergeant Balvin then arrived on scene. Uh he located Officer Heffernan and I. A I don't recall if he went into the unit first or if he immediately took Officer Heffernan to the passenger seat of his squad car.

CLN Okay and then what did you do when Officer Heffernan kind of took custody of, or I'm sorry. What did Sergeant Balvin do and what did you do after he took custody of Officer Heffernan?

JE He advised me just to wait right where I was at.

CLN Okay. And how long did you wait for approximately?

JE I would say again another three to five minutes or so.

CLN As you were waiting did you have any conversations with any officers or personal on scene?

JE No.

CLN After that approximate five minutes. What happened next?

JE Uh Officer Boise had arrived on scene. A there was a brief miscommunication where Officer Boise was going to be a, escorting Officer Heffernan back to the police department. And that was a, resolved with either serg-, Sergeant Balvin or Sergeant Nadem to uh where I was the, uh care officer at that point for Officer Heffernan. And that I was to remain with him and drive him back to the police department.

CLN Okay. So um. Did you were you the one that escorted Officer Heffernan back to the police department?

JE Yes.

CLN By yourself?

JE Yes.

CLN Did you guys have any communications on the way back?

JE No.

JΕ

CLN When you guys arrived back at the police department what did you do next?

He was, uh we were advised to go to the shift commander uh or I guess the, the supervisors office up front uh it oversees the, there's like window you can see the jail. And we were advised to remain in that room. And uh that was when I stepped out. Officer Heffernan uh, uh, sought his a, legal counsel with his card. Uh to contact his attorney.

CLN Was this a phone call or in person?

That was a phone call. It was like a, I'll just give to ya. I have mine. Uh it's like the legal defense fund. Uh it's a 1-800 number he made that call. Uh and then it was then when he a, he received a return call and was advised that he had a, he had his legal counsel in route to the police department.

CLN Okay. Uh at any point did you step back into that room?

JE Uh I stepped back into the room when Officer Heffernan told me that he was done with his phone call.

CLN Okay and from that point forward had you had, would you have any conversations with Officer Heff-, Officer Heffernan regarding the OIS?

JE No.

CLN Did you guys communicate at all?

JE Yes.

CLN Uh what did you guys talk about?

JE Uh we were trying to figure out how to get the old TV to work in the office.

CLN Okay. While you were and you, you, you. I'm sorry you were his care officer?

JE Yes.

CLN And, and to you what is a care officer mean? What are some of the responsibilities of a care officer?

JE Uh it is to ensure that he is okay. Uh to ensure that if there's anything that he needs whether it be a water or a food or something. To go out and make sure that there is number that could give that item for Officer Heffernan.

CLN Did anybody from the police department stop by and talk to you and Officer Heffernan or you specifically? Or Officer Heffernan specifically...?

JE ...uh...

CLN ... while you were in that room?

JE There was a chaplain.

CLN Okay...

JE ...that came in.

CLN And when the chaplain came in did you remain in the room or did you exit?

JE I was asked to exit.

CLN Okay. Uh...

JE ...l do have one more thing too.

CLN Okay go ahead.

Um while we were in that room a prior to uh anybody else coming back to the police department. I had advised I asked dispatch if they could have paramedics respond just routine to a, obtain vitals just to ensure that my partner was okay.

CLN And did EMS show up...

JE ...yes...

CLN ...to do that?

JE Yes they did.

CLN Were you present when they came in and checked the vitals?

JE Yes.

CLN Did anybody from the police department stop by and check on you guys? Just it could be as quickly as poking a head in and asking if you want a pop or a cheeseburger.

Uh yes. I believe it was Sergeant Hagen. He but this was later on uh I believe it was after a, the chaplain was in there and then after uh Heffernan had made the calls. I believe he advised that he was going to McDonalds to uh get some snacks or get like some cheeseburgers and see if we wanted, if we wanted anything special from McDonalds.

CLN Okay. At some point did uh a lawyer or a union representative speak with Officer Heffernan that night?

JE Yes.

CLN And did they speak to him in the room that you've described earlier?

JE No. Uh it was a record, the record management office Christie, a Christine Turry's office. It's across the, across this main room here.

CLN Did you escort Officer Heffernan from your, your office to Christine's office?

JE Yes.

CLN And then did you stay in the room when the lawyer was there?

JE No.

CLN Okay where did you, where were you at this time?

JE I was advised to wait uh because the chaplain was with us as well. A, we were advised to just stand outside a by the front counter. A there's like a baseboard heater against the wall a, and we were advised to wait there until we were given further direction.

CLN Okay. Um how long did you wait there? And then what did you do once you were given further direction?

Uh it was I would say it was between again between probably ten and this was probably a little bit longer. I would say it was ten to fifth teen minutes. A, we waited outside. I ate a cheeseburger with the chaplain uh and then we were also advised. I was advised that I could bring Officer Heffernan home.

CLN JE	Okay. And did you drive Officer Heffernan home? I did.
CLN	A while in route to Officer Heffernan's home did you guys have any conversations regarding the OIS? Whether it was pre OIS, during the OIS, or after the OIS?
JE	No.
CLN JE	Alright I don't have any further questions. Do you have any questions for me? Uh there, I do just have one more thing add.
CLN JE	Okay. Uh at some point a I know we tried to go in chronological order um at some point a member of Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Crime Lab. Did uh I was also with Officer Heffernan. He was brought to a separate room a, an interview room over here. Where his a gear, his duty gear was processed.
CLN JE	And were you present when that happened? Yes I was.
CLN JE	Did at that time did Officer Heffernan make any statements regarding the OIS? No.
CLN JE	Okay anything else you would like add or any questions you have for me? Uh there was no other questions that I had for you.
CLN	Okay. Its approximately 5:41 in the evening my interview with Officer Erickson is concluded.

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# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Sgt. Balvin on 8-6-2019. For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

# **OFFICERS INVOLVED:**

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Sgt. Balvin

### NARRATIVE:

On 8-6-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Sgt. Balvin at the his residence. Sgt. Balvin's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Sgt. Balvin's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Sgt. Balvin stated that he was present for the first call for service to 2760 Louisiana Ct. #7 on 1-19-2019. Sgt. Balvin stated that this call to service was in regards to an unwanted person/possible domestic involving the tenant of apartment #7 and her boyfriend (Mylee Workmana and Matthew Tuhkanen). Sgt. Balvin stated that he and the other responding police officers were made aware that Tuhkanen had active arrest warrant(s) and a history of mental illness and violent tendencies. Sgt. Balvin stated that Tuhkanen had departed apartment #7 before Law Enforcement's arrival and had hid out in an unknown upper floor apartment in this apartment building. Sgt. Balvin stated that at this time there was not enough probable cause to arrest Tuhkanen.

Sgt. Balvin stated that he was made aware of an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) in the City of St. Louis Park later that day. Sgt. Balvin stated he was made aware of this OIS via his police issued radio while he was at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Sgt. Balvin stated that he was made aware of which police officers were involved in this OIS and the location of the OIS at this time also via his radio. Sgt. Balvin stated that he proceeded to the incident address "code 3".

Upon arrival at the incident address he observed Officer Erickson standing with Officer Heffernan by a police vehicle in the cul de sac outside of 2760 Louisiana Ct. Sgt. Balvin stated he approached both officers and inquired if they knew who had fired their weapon? Sgt. Balvin stated that at this time Officer Heffernan raised his hand in an attempt to answer Sgt. Balvin's question about who had fired their weapon. Sgt. Balvin stated that Officer Heffernan did not provide any further statements regarding his, or anyone's involvement, in this OIS. Sgt. Balvin stated that he then spoke with Officer Erickson regarding this OIS and at this time Officer Erickson stated that Officer Heffernan had previously made the statement of "I thought he was going to kill me" to him.

Sgt. Balvin stated that he asked Officer Heffernan Public Safety questions from a card issued by the St. Louis Park Police Department. Sgt. Balvin stated that he cannot remember the exact questions he asked Officer Heffernan that night but stated some of the questions he asked were "what direction did you fire your weapon in?" and "is there anyone else we need to search for or be aware of?". Sgt. Balvin stated that the questions he asked can be found on the issued card back at the St. Louis Park Police Department.

Sgt. Balvin stated that he assigned Officer Erickson as Officer Heffernan's "care officer" and instructed Officer Erickson to transport Officer Heffernan back to the St. Louis Park Police Department. Sgt. Balvin stated that Officers Erikson and Heffernan were the only two individuals in the vehicle that they drove back to the Police Department in. Sgt. Balvin stated that a "care officer" remains with their assigned police officer until otherwise advised. The "care officer" is to sit with and take care of any need their assigned police officer may have.

Sg. Balvin stated that he did enter 2760 Louisiana Ct. but not apartment #7. When he entered this apartment complex it was for the purposes of inquiring to make sure if any other police officers inside were "ok" and safe. Sgt. Balvin stated that he does not recall which police officers were inside the apartment complex at this time but he stated none of the police officers he spoke to were involved in this OIS. Sgt. Balvin stated that at this time no police officers provided any information to him regarding this OIS.

Sgt. Balvin stated that he then met with Sgt. Nadem at the incident scene to "divvy up" work that needed to be done. Sgt. Balvin stated that Sgt. Nadem was responsible for establishing and coordinating the incident perimeter and to liaison with arriving and assisting Law Enforcement Agencies. Sgt. Balvin stated that his duties were to liaison between the incident scene and St. Louis Park Police Department Command Staff and the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. Sgt. Balvin stated that he advised the Command Staff what was known, occurring and what was needed at the incident address. Sgt. Balvin stated that he advised the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office what was known, occurring, answered any questions and facilitated what may be needed.

Sgt. Balving stated that he did not talk to any Law Enforcement Officers at the incident scene regarding any specifics related to this OIS and that he did not speak to any civilians regarding any specifics related to this OIS at the incident scene that night.

Sgt. Balvin stated that he was present at the incident scene from approximately 6:30pm to approximately 5:30am. Sgt. Balvin stated that after he departed the incident scene he returned to the St. Louis Park Police Department to write his report prior to ending his shift and returning home that morning.

#### **DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:**

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Statement of SERGEANT AARON BALVIN, DOB: \_\_\_\_\_\_, taken at 1008 HOURS on 8/6/2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Jackie Fallon typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Christofer Nybeck, Detective

AB Aaron Balvin, Sergeant

CLN Today's date is August 6, 2016 (sic). It's approximately 10:08 in the morning. Detective Nybeck, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. I am at 1253 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, Brooklyn, or I'm sorry, New Brighton, Minnesota, with officer, Sergeant Aaron Balvin of the St. Louis Park Police Department. Ah, before we start with this interview, I just want to let you know Sergeant, this is a voluntary consensual interview related to St. Louis Park case number 19000303 and Hennepin County case number 19000783. St. Louis Park case number 19000303 is related to an OIS, officer-involved shooting that occurred in the City of St. Louis Park on January 19, 2019 involving Officer Haffernan of the St. Louis Park Police Department. Additionally, is it correct that I have not threatened, coerced, or demanded that you take part in this interview with me today?

AB Correct.

CLN Okay. Ah, just to let you know, the purpose of this interview and the subsequent accompanying report based upon this interview is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge [coughing], excuse me, related to the above-listed cased number. Before we start, do you have any questions for me?

AB I do not.

CLN Okay. Back on January 19<sup>th</sup> of this year, ah, were you present for the first call of service to 2760 Louisiana Court, Apartment #7?

AB I was.

CLN Do you recall what was the general call of service for?

AB I do.

CLN And what was, and what was it?

AB Ah, I believe it was an unwanted person, possibly a domestic type call.

CLN And had you, had you or any other officers received additional information regarding individuals that were involved in this call prior to arrival?

AB We did.

CLN And what was that information?

AB The name of the unwanted person, the male subject, ah, had confirmed warrants out for his arrest and there was also alerts on his name that, ah, he has, ah, suffers from violent tendencies, um, and mental health issues.

CLN Do you recall of this individual? Know his last name was like Tuhkanen or something? AB CLN Does Matthew Tuhkanen sound familiar? AΒ It does. Ah, prior to this call that night, had you ever had any interactions with Matthew CLN Tuhkanen, ah, or the female, the girlfriend whose name is Miley Workman or that specific address, Apartment #7 at 2760? I had not. AB Okay. When you arrived, how many officers were with you? CLN Ah, possibly three were on scene already, three or four. AΒ And do you recall which officers these were? CLN Officer Heffernan, Officer Erickson, Officer Peek, I believe, and Officer Smith. AB And possibly Officer Pacholke. I can't remember if he was there before or after. Ah, when you arrived was Matthew Tuhkanen present at this address? CLN Not at the physical address, I believe. The apartment that was called upon. AB CLN Number 7? AΒ Yes. Was he, had...had you learned where he went or why he wasn't present when you CLN showed up? I did. AB And what were the reasons? CLN That he had attempted to flee out of the apartment building when officers arrived and AB then he fled to an unknown apartment on the upper level of the building. Okay. And is there a reason why you didn't search the apartment for Matthew CLN Tuhkanen at this time? There was. AB CLN And what were the reasons? Officers had spoke with a female familiar with him, um, and the residents in the AB building and stated that there, he had numerous friends within the building and he could be in any sort of, any of the upper level apartment buildings hiding out. Okay. Ah, at that point were you guys able to determine if a crime had occurred? CLN AB Ah, we were. CLN And had a crime occurred? Ah, we determined that a crime had not occurred at Apartment 7, other than him AB fleeing from officers. Okay. Ah, later that night and in a short period after you guys had cleared the scene, CLN ah, did you respond back to that address for another call for service? AΒ I did.

CLN And what was that for?

AB That was for a, a, or are you saying me specifically or are you saying the officers

respond back?

CLN You specifically.

AB I responded back for a, once I heard that shots had been fired.

CLN And how did you hear that shots were fired?

AB Over the radio.

CLN Were you in your squad or back at the PD at the time?

AB I was at the PD.

CLN Okay. Did you respond Code 3 from the police department to the incident address?

AB I did.

CLN Okay. Ah, upon arrival what did you see, who did you speak to?

AB Upon arrival, I saw Officer Heffernan and Officer Erickson, um, standing behind a vehicle east of the, um, it was out of the street, kind of east of the apartment building.

CLN Ah, before your arrival, or right at your arrival, did you receive any information about, kind of specifically what happened? What was the call of service? Who was involved? Ah, any actions that were known? Or were you aware of any actions of the

officers prior to your arrival?

AB I did and was.

CLN Okay. And how were you informed?

AB Ah, via the radio.

CLN And, ah, was that radio traffic directed specifically to you or was it a general

broadcast?

AB It was a general broadcast.

CLN And what did you learn?

AB Ah, a resident called stated the male party who officers were looking for earlier, um, was now back at, inside the apartment #7, I believe. Ah, the caller stated shortly after officers left, um, Workman left her apartment. Went up to the third floor and retrieved, ah, the male individual, um, and they were now back inside the apartment. So officers responded to, um, the scene. I heard over the radio, ah, that they were, they made contact with the female at the apartment and they were gonna be inside checking the apartment.

CLN And were you, ah, aware of which officers were in that apartment and what had occurred in the apartment prior to your arrival at the incident address?

AB I believe so.

CLN Okay. And how were you informed about who was involved and what occurred?

AB Over the radio the people that answered, the officers answered up saying that, ah, they were responding back to the scene and that they'd be inside the apartment checking.

CLN AB	Okay. So when you arrived on the scene you were aware it was an OIS, correct? Correct.
CLN AB	Who did you speak to initially when you arrived? I spoke with Office Heffernan and Officer Erickson.
CLN AB	And what did you learn from each officer specifically? I learned that, when I arrived I asked if everybody was okay and I asked who was involved. Umm, and at that point Officer Heffernan raised his hand indicating that he was.
CLN AB	And did he elaborate upon his involvement? He did no, initially.
CLN AB	Okay. Um, at any point were you made aware that Officer Heffernan, ah, had fired a service weapon inside the address?  Prior to arriving, I did not know who had fired.
CLN AB	Okay. How did you learn about who fired their weapon after you arrived? When I asked on the radio, I heard shots fired. So I responded. And by seeing Officer Heffernan and Officer Erickson standing outside led me to believe that it was, at that point, that it was an officer-involved shooting. I asked, when I asked who was involved, it was only Heffernan. Officer Heffernan raised his hand stating that, indicating that he was.
CLN AB	And when he said he was involved and when you asked that question, did you mean who was involved and who had fired their weapon? Or who was present for the OIS? Who fired their weapon.
CLN AB	Okay. And Officer Heffernan did not elaborate further upon his involvement in the OIS at this time? Correct.
CLN AB	Ah, what policies and procedures does the St. Louis Park Police Department have for a supervisor in an OIS when they're dealing with somebody that was involved in the OIS?  So there is a procedure is to read a public safety card, ah public safety questions to
CLN	the officer involved.  Okay. And do you recall the questions that you asked Officer Heffernan at this time?
AB	I do not.
CLN AB	Okay. Um, can you give an approximate of what these questions were? They're public safety questions to ask is, there something to the effect, I don't have them memorized, but ah, is there anybody else that we should be looking for? Is there, um, in what direction did you fire your weapon? Certain things like that.
CLN AB	Ah, would one of the questions be is, who was injured? Sounds right, but I'm not 100% confident without, I read the card that the police department provides.
CLN	Okay. Ah, would a copy of this card be a4the S4 Louis Park Police Department?

AB	It would.
CLN AB	Okay. So after you spoke with Officer Heffernan and asked him these questions, do you recall what some of his responses were to these questions? I do not.
CLN AB	Did Officer Heffernan make any statements or utterances to you regarding his involvement in the OIS while you were speaking with him at the incident address that night?  He did not.
CLN AB	Did Officer Erickson make any statements related to, ah, Officer Heffernan and what he may have been involved in? He did.
CLN AB	Or had said? He did.
CLN AB	And what did Officer Erickson say? Officer Erickson stated to me that, ah, when he arrived and made contact with Officer Heffernan, that Officer Heffernan said to him something to the effect, "I thought he was gonna kill me".
CLN AB	Okay. After were you done speaking with Officer Heffernan and asking him the public safety questions, ah, what did you do next? I, um, assigned Officer Erickson to be his, ah, support officer and directed them to return back to the police department. And then I began, ah, making, getting in contact with command staff. Um
CLN AB	Ah, so did Officer Erickson transport Officer Heffernan back to the police department in a squad or police vehicle that was present? He did.
CLN AB	Ah, was it just those two people in the vehicle? It was.
CLN AB	Okay. After they left, ah, kind of, did you enter 2760 Louisiana Court and Apartment #7? I did not enter the apartment.
CLN AB	Or how about the apartment complex? I did enter the apartment building.
CLN AB	Okay. And what did you do when you went inside? Ah, determined, um, if everybody else was okay there. Ah, and then I believe I also met up with Sergeant Nadem at that point, who had arrived, and started, you know, divvying up tasks of what needed to be done.
CLN AB	Okay. So when you inquired about people inside the apartment, again I just want to make sure, you didn't go inside Apartment 7? I did not.
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You did, you did not see Matthew Tuhkanen? CLN AΒ I did not. Okay. Were you speaking with officers and civilians? Or both of them, just to inquire CLN about their safety and general well-being? AB Ah, just officers. Okay. And at that time did any of these officers, ah, provide information regarding CLN what happened during the OIS? AΒ They did not. CLN Do you recall what officers you spoke to inside of 2760? It would, I didn't speak with anybody that was involved. So I believe it was only AB Sergeant Nadem and, ah, and then at a later point Lieutenant Parker. Okay. Now you said you had mentioned that you and Sergeant Nadem kind of CLN divvied up the responsibilities for running the scene. Can you tell me what Sergeant Nadem was responsible for and then what you were responsible for? Sergeant Nadem, ah, was responsible for incoming personnel; ah, setting up a AB perimeter; assigning tasks to other officers. Ah, I was the liaison for command staff and with, ah, Hennepin County Crime Lab and Sheriff's Office who were responding. So, if you can just elaborate a little bit, um, as a liaison with the St. Louis Park PD CLN command staff, what does that mean? What were you... So with me being at the scene, I was relaying information back to, ah, Lt. Parker, who AΒ had not arrived yet. Lt. Garland, um, whatever questions they had. Keeping them informed as to what was going on. Okay. And then you were liaison with crime lab and members of the Sheriff's Office, CLN kind of elaborate a little bit on that a little bit. I was just directing them to the appropriate apartment. Um, giving them a layout of AB the building. Kind of a synopsis of the call. Whatever questions they asked, um, or things they needed. I was their point of contact. Okay. And how were you approximately at the incident address that night? CLN From the second call to the time I was cleared was approximately 11 hours. AB Ah, 11:00 pm? Or you were there a total of 11 hours? CLN AΒ Total of 11 hours. Okay. Um, so I think when I read your report, the second call was right around 6:00 CLN o'clock? Mm-hmm. AB Umm, if you got there a little bit after that call, it might have been about 6:30. So you CLN were there until about 5:30 in the morning? I believe so. Majority of that was spent out in the command vehicle. AB

Okay. At any point, um, from your arrival at approximately 6:30 to your departure at

approximately 5:30, did you have any conversations with any officers or supervisors or other law enforcement agencies regarding what had occurred during the OIS in

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# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Merwin on 8-12-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

### **OFFICERS INVOLVED:**

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer Merwin

### NARRATIVE:

On 8-12-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Officer Merwin at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Merwin's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Officer Merwin's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Merwin stated he was not assigned to work on 1-19-2019. Officer Merwin stated that he received a page or text requesting assistance with an OIS in the City of St. Louis Park that night. Officer Merwin stated that he cannot recall if he was specifically paged or texted for assistance or if it was a general call out.

Officer Merwin stated that he responded to the St. Louis Park Police Department and then was instructed by possibly Sgt. Lewis to remain at the Police Department to assist as needed.

Officer Merwin stated that while at the Police Department he observed Officer Heffernan in the St Louis Park Police Department's front Sgt.'s office with another unknown police officer. Officer Merwin stated that he entered this room and told Officer Heffernan what to expect in the upcoming hours (i.e. pictures of uniform/gear, being interviewed, etc). Officer Merwin stated he only told Officer Heffernan what to expect because he (Officer Merwin) had recently been involved in an OIS and knew that Officer Heffernan was in a difficult and confusing situation. Officer Merwin stated he did not speak to Officer Heffernan about any specifics or facts related to the OIS on this date and that Officer Heffernan did not make any statements regarding this OIS to Officer Merwin.

Officer Merwin then returned to Officer Trant's office and waited to be told what to assist with next. Officer Merwin stated that a short time later "maybe Sgt. Lewis" brought Officer Peek to Officer Trant's Office and assigned Officer Merwin as Officer Peek's "care officer".

Officer Merwin stated that he and Officer Peek went to his (Officer Merwin's) office. Officer Merwin stated that only he and Officer Peek were in his office at this time. Officer Merwin stated that he and Officer Peek only spoke about Officer Peek's previously businesses, their children and trainings they have

attended. Officer Merwin stated that neither of them spoke about anything related to the OIS that night.

Officer Merwin stated that approximately one hour later "maybe Sgt. Lewis" came to his office and provided him with a checklist of what a "care officer" should do with their assigned police officer. Officer Merwin stated he followed the instructions (keep assigned officer safe and engaged) listed on this checklist/form.

Officer Merwin stated that Officer Peek did not provide a formal statement that night and that he does not believe Officer Peek requested or met with a lawyer, union representative or chaplain that night. Officer Peek stated that the only time Officer Peek left his office was when Officer Peek was processed by Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Crime Lab Techs. Officer Merwin stated he was not present for this.

Officer Peek stated that other St. Louis Park police personnel stopped by his office occasionally to check in on Officer Peek and to see if either of them needed anything.

Officer Merwin stated that he cannot recall who informed Officer Peek that he could go home that night from the Police Department but he believes that it was a Hennepin County Sheriff's Office individual who informed Officer Peek he could leave.

Officer Merwin stated he is unsure of how Officer Peek got home that night (drove himself or received a ride). Officer Merwin stated that after Officer Peek went home that night he then went home himself.

# DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Officer Merwin on 8-12-2019

Statement of Officer Michael Aaron Merwin, DOB: , taken at 13:57 HOURS on August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Samantha Grates typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck
MAM Officer Michael Aaron Merwin

Alright today's date is August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019. It's approximately 1:57 in the afternoon. Detective Nybeck Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department. In relation to Hennepin County case number 19000783 and Saint Louis Park PD case number 19000303. And I'm here with can I get your rank

and your full name please?

MAM Yeah I'm Officer Mike, Michael Aaron Merwin. M-E-R-W-I-N.

Alright uh Officer Merwin. Before we start I just want to let you know this is a voluntary and consensual interview related to Saint Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This case number is related to an OIS that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park Police Department. Also before we start I just wanna ask you is it correct that I have not threatened, coerced, or demanded that you speak with me regarding this interview?

MAM That is correct.

Okay. A and just to let you know the purpose of this interview and subsequent accompanying report based upon the interview is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to the above listed case number. Before we start do you have any

questions?

MAM I don't.

CLN Okay. Were you schedule to work on January 19<sup>th</sup> of this year?

MAM At the time of this I was not actually scheduled.

CLN Okay. Were you made aware of an officer involved shooting in Saint Louis Park on

that date?

MAM Yes.

CLN And how were you made aware?

MAM A phone call or text or both.

CLN Do you recall who had contacted you?

MAM Sergeant Williams? And I even say that with a question mark.

CLN Okay. Uh do you recall which, what you were informed of? Any specifics like this is

what happened? This is what I need you to do?

MAM If I remember right it was kind of general page or text. Asking that anybody that could respond, respond. I couldn't even tell you if it was sent just to investigators that time or to patrol? But we were asked to respond to the station regarding an officer involved shooting.

CLN Uh so then did you respond to the police department of after you got that page? MAM I did.

CLN And when you got to the police department what did you do next?

A, the first thing I tried to do was just find out where they needed me. Uh and I remember being told again maybe in a text from Sergeant Lewis? To stay at the station. He was at the scene and to hang tight at the station. He would bring people to us.

CLN Okay. That night did you ever go to the incident address? MAM I did not.

CLN Okay. So did you stay at the police department the entire night? MAM I did.

CLN Okay. At what point did you begin assisting in any manner capacity ahh, with the OIS?

It would have, probably be when I saw Sam in the front office, Sam Heffernan was in the front sergeant's office. I don't remember if, he was with somebody else. I don't remember who it was. I had stepped in there and simply asked if he knew what was about to happen. I had been involved in an officer involved shooting just a, three or four years ago. Uh and he seemed pretty shook up so I simply told him. I said don't be upset when they come in and start taking things from you. Whether it be magazines or your belt or start taking pictures. I said cause that is part of the process. And talked to him for maybe two minutes at the most just too kind of tell him what would be happening over the next few hours.

CLN Was anybody else in the room with Officer Heffernan at this time? MAM Yes.

CLN Do you recall who that was? MAM I do not.

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Okay. Do you recall if it was a police officer? A lawyer? A chaplain? Definitely a police officer and to be honest with ya. I can't remember if that person even left the room when I was talking to Sam. Whoever it was stayed with Sam from the scene and made sure he would be okay. And if I recall correctly the three of us were in this office for those couple minutes. Where I just gave him a quick overall view of what the rest of his day would look forward, it would look like and who would be talking to him.

When you spoke with Officer Heffernan at that time. Were you providing him just general advice and instruction or anything specific?

I wouldn't say advice or instruction at all in fact. It was more just letting him know who would come and talk to him from like the Sheriff's Office or whoever would be doing the investigation. And just basically told him what I went through as far having bullets counted and pictures taken and things like that. So that he wouldn't

be caught off guard when something like that happened.

CLN Okay. Are you, are you part of the union at all?

MAM I'm not.

CLN Okay. Um. Did Sam ask any questions when you were speaking with him in that

room? Or did he make any statements regarding the OIS at that time?

MAM No not at all.

CLN Okay. MAM No.

CLN Uh after you spoke with Officer Heffernan. What did you do next?

I came back out to basically where we. He was at that front office at the sergeant's office right there. I came where we walked past uh where the shelving is and everything that hallway there that leads to the office were in now. I basically stayed there with Officer Trant if I remember right. And just waited for Officers to come to us. Cause by that time uh I had no idea if I would be doing any kind of

investigation. Or if I would just simply be there to help stay with people have that were involved in the shooting. Again that just comes from my experience and

having been through one myself not long ago.

CLN Okay. Um at some point was an officer that was involved in the OIS brought to

you?

MAM Yes.

CLN And do you recall who that was?

MAM Troy Peek.

CLN And do you recall who brought Officer Peek to you?

MAM I remember seeing and hearing from Donny Lewis often it's a bit of a guess but I

think Donny might have brought him right to the station.

CLN Okay. And when Officer Lewis brought you Officer Peek. Did Officer Lewis explain

to you what he wanted you to do with Officer Peek? Or what your responsibility

would be ahh, with Officer Peek going forward?

MAM | wouldn't say anything real specific was said then. I can you later on that we were

handed a sheet of paper that basically listed what our responsibilities were.

CLN Okay. Now when I've talked to other Saint Louis Park officers uh they mentioned

like a care officer or a like a care buddy?

MAM Yeah.

CLN Um were you at some point told that you were going to be a care officer for Officer

Peek?

MAM Yeah it was certainly made clear to me right away that that was my responsibility

yes. As far as what that meant was made a little more clear to me later on when they handed out the list of things that we should watch for and take care of. So when Troy Peek was brought here that's the first thing I was told is I would be his

care officer.

CLN And who informed you of this?

MAM Again I'm a bit of a guess question mark on it. I think that was Sergeant Donald Lewis?

CLN Okay. MAM Yeah.

CLN And then who was in the office to the room with you with Officer Peek? Was it just

you two?

MAM Just the two of us right here in this room, my office.

CLN Okay. MAM Yeah.

CLN And how much longer were you guys in this office before you kind of got that

instruction list about what to do as a care officer?

MAM It was awhile. Uh it could have been an hour.

CLN Okay.

MAM

MAM Yeah. I'm guessing again but it easily could have been an hour.

CLN Okay in that hour period before getting the, uh instruction list. Did you and Officer

Peek speak or have any kind of conversations?

MAM We had quite a bit of conversation yes.

CLN Okay. Uh what did you guys talk about?

MAM Uh everything uh, uh from his businesses that he's, the business that he used to have. [Inaudible 07:17] to uh some training things just things I could do or talk about to. We both have kids. Everything I could think of to keep him talking keep his mind off of what happened. Uh.

CLN Did you guys in that, in that hour window there. Did you guys talk about anything related to the officer involved shooting?

MAM Not at all. He never said a thing about it other than at one point he was asked to do something. I think maybe do the interview itself. And he said he still pretty, he didn't use the word shook or fired up. I can't remember the exact term used uh but he, he said he was still, still affected by the shooting. I don't remember what word he used. But that's the only time we mentioned anything that had anything to do with the incident itself. Was when he mentioned he was a little nervous.

CLN When he mentioned that did he mention that to you or did somebody come here to try to get like a formal statement or interview from him?

I think it was like a little bit of both. Because when they came in and asked him if he would be willing to stay for the interview or if he wanted to go home. He mentioned right away that he would like to go home first and then when that person left he made the comment that he was still I keep wanting to say fired up a jacked or something like that. Yeah. He hadn't quite calmed down yet whatever, whatever term he used put me on the impression his heart rate was still up a little bit and he was still a little affected by the incident.

CLN Okay. Uh the person that had come in and acquired about providing a statement or interview. Do you recall who they were? Who they represented? Were they law enforcement?

CLN

MAM Yes. Sheriff's Office at that point maybe. CLN Okay, You recall... ... [Inaudible 08:46]... MAM ...which officer or detective that was? CLN I didn't recognize any of the officers that were doing the interviews that night. MAM CLN Okay. Yeah. MAM Uh so approximately an hour in for you being the care officer for Officer Peek you CLN received kind of a checklist of a what to do. Did you review that list? i did. MAM CLN Did you kind of follow the instructions of that list? Yeah it was fairly simple instructions as far as making sure that looking for any MAM signs that they were distraught and... CLN ...okay... MAM ...keeping him engaged and they were okay. Did uh at any point did Officer Peek, Peek request the assistance of a chaplain or CLN the ability to get a hold of like a legal defense [inaudible 09:25] L, I think you guys use LELS? Did he inquire about making a phone call for legal representation or to see a chaplain? We never talked about any of that stuff. Nothing that I remember. Not to me. MAM CLN Okay. Yeah. MAM CLN Did anybody from your department or anybody in general stop by and kind of check on you two? Offer food something to drink? Just... MAM ...yeah... CLN ...just hey how you doing? Yeah they really knocked on, I left my door open a bit and they would knock on it MAM and check on him and see if he needed anything some food from McDonald's was brought in that night. He and I sat here and ate a couple cheeseburgers. cheeseburgers and some fries. Uh and then I do remember people asking what he needed chaplains and things like that might have been some of those things that that he was offered. CLN Did he request to see a chaplain that night? Again not from me but I don't remember if he would have said anything to anybody MAM else. I don't recall that at all. CLN I don't remember him saying anything like that at all. MAM Did he request to a call his wife? To let her kind of know what, what was going on? CLN That he's okay or anything like that? While he was in your presence? I don't remember that either. MAM

Okay. Um okay so once you get the checklist well kind of restart the clock how

MAM	long were you guys together. Once you guys got the checklist? Seems like another hour. If I recall we were in this office for a good two hours.
CLN MAM	And what did you guys do for that second hour while you guys were in here?  Not much different than what was going on before. Just small conversation. A complained about the cheeseburgers being cold little things like that yeah.
CLN MAM	Alright um. So after that hour kind of expires what happens next? I remember him being brought down to one of the offices on the other end of the building here and then I stayed right here at my door so if he came back here he would know where I would be or where to find me.
CLN	And do you know who brought him to the other end or why he was brought to the other end?
MAM	Sheriff's Office maybe taking pictures of him at that time?
CLN	The person that brought him down there were they kind of dressed like me or
MAM	where they wearing the brown uniform? In my mind I remember brown uniform bringing him down there. And I, I remember it was for pictures. Of something happening down here the other end. Like I said I just kind of stayed here so he could find me when he needed me again.
CLN MAM	So you, you did not go with him? I did not go with him for that.
CLN	Approximately how long was he gone for while he was, his uniform and equipment was being processed?
MAM	I could guess any, I mean if I were to guess it wasn't more than fifthteen minutes twenty minutes maybe? Uh I just remember making sure he was escorted back and forth from wherever from this office and was brought back to me. It was a long night for me too. You know twenty minutes maybe?
CLN MAM	Okay. Yeah.
CLN	So when he comes back to your office what happens next? I don't remember how much time went by before he was released to go home. But eventually he was released to go home.
CLN MAM CLN MAM	Okay from you're, while he was in your office?  Mm-hmmdo youyes
CLN	do you recall who kind of gave the green light for him to go home that night? What did the chief stop by? Deputy Chief? A sergeant? Ahh, somebody from the sheriff's office? Do you know who kind of said hey it's okay to go home?
MAM	I remember that our staff didn't have a lot to say or do with anything going on with Troy. A lot of people walking by uh, the people that were knocking on my door and talking and saying things to him were almost exclusively the Sheriff's Office. Those were the only people that were saying anything so uh again while I can't say exactly say who said you get to go home. I would remember if it was one of our guys. It was Sheriff's Office had control of the entire investigation at that point

when...

CLN ...okay...

MAM ...we were here. Those were the only people I say coming back and forth.

CLN Do you know how Officer Peek got home that night? I mean did he drive himself?

Did his wife pick him up? Did somebody from the police department escort him

home?

MAM I'm not sure that I remember. I remember making sure that he was okay. He'd be

able to get home. But I don't know if the answer to that was that somebody came

and got him or got him home or if he drove himself home.

CLN Okay. When he left your office. Do you recall if he left by himself or did he leave

with somebody?

MAM Somebody as in any kind of friend family or anything?

CLN Uh friend, family, co-worker?

MAM No, no. Uh, uh he seemed alright to me to leave this office. And when he did I don't

remember walking with him any further than my office door.

CLN Okay.

MAM At that point.

CLN So after Officer Peek left did you stick around the PD or kind of what did you do

next then?

MAM Um I left almost immediately after him.

CLN And you went, d-, where did you go?

MAM I went home.

CLN Okay. Kind of a catch all question. At any point that night on the 19<sup>th</sup>, did you have

any conversations with any officers? Whether they were Saint Louis Park Police Officers, Saint Louis Police Officers that were involved in the OIS. Sheriff's Office personal any other law enforcement. Any, did you have any conversations with

anybody that night regarding any specifics related to the OIS?

MAM In a way yes.

CLN Okay.

MAM One of our officers uh was basically in a small area up front with family of the deceased party. At least that's understanding I had. Is that we had one that was

deceased and the child his dad was basically the one involved in the shooting. And one our officers had spent quite a bit of time with that child and that child kept asking him if he was one who shot or if he was one who killed his dad. Uh that kind of made it around us to see if we could find a way to somehow separate or help that situation. Uh but I don't, that's the most I even knew of what happened at the incident is obviously somebody was shot. Uh and of course I knew that from the page itself. Uh and that the child of that person was up front a those are the only details of the actual incident I got. Because of that situation were trying to help out

with.

CLN Okay uh that night were you aware of the four officers that were involved in the

OIS at any point?

MAM No not really, I knew that Troy was involved. He said something about Tony

Pacholke, and I knew Sam Heffernan was sitting up fron4 An\$ that's all I knew.

Okay alright, do you have any questions for me? CLN No I don't think so: MAM

Okay it's approximately 02:12 in the afternoon my interview with Detective Merwin is concluded. CLN

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Title: Summary Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Trant on 7-30-2019

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Trant on 7-30-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

## OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer Trant

### NARRATIVE:

On 7-30-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Officer Trant at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Trant's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Officer Trant's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Trant stated that he was called by Sgt. Lewis of the St. Louis Park Police Department on 1-19-2019 to assist in an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) that had occurred in the City of St. Louis Park earlier that day involving a St. Louis Park police officer. Officer Trant stated that he was not schedules to work on this day but came into assist. Officer Trant stated that he was not provided specific details regarding this OIS during Sgt. Lewis' phone call.

Officer Trant stated that he arrived to the St. Louis Park Police Department as instructed by Sgt. Lewis and upon arrival he observed Officer Heffernan already present at the Police Department in a Sgt.'s office. Officer Trant stated he was notified by Sgt. Lewis that he (Sgt. Lewis) was driving back to the Police Department with additional police officers that were involved in this OIS.

Officer Trant stated that when the other involved police officers arrived back at the St. Louis Park Police Department Sgt. Lewis designated him (Officer Trant) as Officer Maurice Smith's "care officer". Officer Smith was one of the police officers involved in this OIS. Officer Trant stated that "care officers" sit with and tend to police officers that were involved in critical incidents, to include OISs.

Officer Trant stated that he sat with Officer Smith in his (Officer Trant's office) office until Officer Smith was interviewed and processed by Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Detectives and Crime Lab Technicians. Officer Trant stated that while he was Officer Smith's "care officer" they sat in his office and made "small talk" about the Minnesota Wild hockey team. Officer Trant stated he believes Officer Smith was provided access to a union representative, a lawyer and chaplain. Officer Trant stated the "Chief" (St. Louis Park Police Chief Harcey) may have stopped by his office to make sure Officer Smith was doing ok and to check to see if either of them needed anything. Officer Trant stated that at no time did he and Officer Smith discuss anything related to the OIS that occurred earlier that night.

# DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Trant on 7-30-2019

Nybeck

Statement of Officer Aaron Trant, taken at 14:09 HOURS on 07/30/2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Nancy McLaughlin typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck

AT Officer Aaron Trant Diane Nelson

MSH Munawar Syed Hussain, Officer Involved

CLN Alright. Today's date is July 30, 2019. It's approximately 2:09 in the afternoon. Detective Nybeck, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. I am here in relation to Hennepin County case number 19000783. St. Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303, and I'm here with....can I get your rank and your full name, please?

AT Yeah, I'm an officer, and currently assigned to the investigation division. Um...my name is Aaron Trant.

CLN And how long have you been a police officer with the St. Louis Park Police Department?

AT Um...it will be seven years in September. This coming, so just under seven years.

Okay. Before I ask any questions....um....I just want to let you know that this interview, and any statements you make, are voluntary and consensual. Um...and they're related....they're gonna be related to St. Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303. This case number is related to an OIS – office involved shooting – that occurred in the city of St. Louis Park on January 19, 2019, involving Officer Heffernan of the St. Louis Park Police Department. I...I just want to make sure, since this is a voluntary interview, I just want to make sure that...um...in no way did I threaten, coerce or demand that you provide this interview. Is that correct?

CLN Okay. Is this interview of your own free will? Your own volition?

AT Yes.

ΑT

CLN Okay. And you're willing to talk to me?

That's correct.

AT Yes.

CLN Okay. Ah. The purpose of this interview, and the subsequent accompanying report based upon this interview, is to provide supplemental information related to your knowledge...or, I'm sorry....related to your original report, regarding your actions and knowledge related to this case number. So, does that all make sense?

AT Yes.

CLN Any questions?

AT Nope.

CLN Okay. On January 19, 2019, were you directed to assist in an OIS in St. Louis

Park....ah...at 2760 Louisiana Court?

AT Yes, I was called in.

CLN And who called you in?

AT Ah...at the time, Sergeant Lewis. Now Officer Lewis.

CLN And what did he tell you?

AT He told me there was an officer involved shooting, and he didn't have any details and asked if I was available to come in.

CLN Okay. Did you proceed to the police department or the crime scene first?

AT I came directly to the police department.

CLN Okay. And once you arrived here, what did you learn? See? Or who did you talk to?

AT Um...I came in. Ah....Officer Mike Merwin was....ah....had just arrived with...like shortly before I did, and it was the same information. I saw Officer Heffernan was sitting in our front sergeant's office, and Mike just said, "Yea, there's an officer involved shooting." And then shortly after that, got a phone call from Sergeant Lewis that he was coming back with others involved in the incident.

Ah....did Officer Lewis transport these officers himself, or did he follow them here?

Ah....that I don't know. I met them in the back....our back lot where we park our squad cars, and I came out the door and they were all coming out of cars. So I don't know if he actually had them in his specific car, or who's car they were in. But, he was with them, so I'm assuming he was part of the transport. Whether they separated them, I don't know, or....

CLN ....okay....

AT ....how they all came back.

CLN Ah....when you were in the back lot, were you given directs of......directives about what to do next then?

AT Yep. So, yeah. I was assigned to Officer Smith.

CLN And who assigned you?

AT Sergeant Lewis.

CLN And...he assigned you for....like, what purpose? Or what was your....what were your...

AT ....for support officer. So, whenever there's a officer involved shooting, or a critical incident....um....any of the officers that are involved would get assigned a support officer who ha...wasn't at all on scene, or part of the incident, to sit with them and just be there with them for whatever they need...um...as a support officer.

CLN Okay. Ah....so once you were assigned...ah....Officer Smith, what did you do?

AT Ah...rOfficer Smith and I sat in my....ah...in my office, because...since I'm in investigations, I have my own office. So....closed the door. Sat in my office, and we

just hung out until...ah...they needed to take their...he eventually gave an interview, I believe, to you guys. And then was processed by Crime Lab.

CLN Okay. And by "you guys," you mean the Hennepin County....

AT ....yes....

CLN ... Sheriff's Office?

AT Correct.

CLN And processed by Crime Lab. Is that the Sheriff's Office also?

AT Yes.

CLN Okay. While you guys were in your office waiting to be....for Officer Smith to be interviewed and processed, did you gu.....did you speak with Officer Smith at all?

AT Ah...not in...about the....the incident at all. We spoke about the Minnesota Wild. I think I pulled the Minnesota Wild game up on my computer and we sat and talked about that. But nothing pertaining to the incident itself.

CLN Okay. Um....did Officer Smith have the opportunity to speak with a lawyer or Chaplin while he was in your office?

I believe there [clears throat]....he had the option to do both, if I remember right. Um....and I don't....and I know that there was an attorney for them here, but I don't [inaudible 04:59] remember...recall if he talked to him or not while I was there with him. I...I would....be....I think he probably did. I can'4recall if he did or not, but....

CLN Okay. Well, while you were with him, do you recall anybody else coming into the room, with the exception of a Hennepin County detective, or a Hennepin County crime lab tech?

Ah...every once in a while...ah....like Sergeant Hangen would just come and make sure we were okay. See if we needed any food or water, and I think Sergeant Lewis did that once also. And then....um....I think maybe Chief poked his head in once just....same thing....just to make sure that we were okay. If we needed anything. But...ah....as far as an investigator from Hennepin County, they....they must have come and got him. I don't remember who it was....to come do his interview, and same with Crime Lab. But, that was it.

CLN Okay. So...when...ah...any of the St. Louis Park officers, whether it was Officer Lewis or Sergeant Hangen, or I think you said the Deputy Chief. Did...was there any conversation between those officers, or other officers....ah...with Officer Smith regarding what occurred at 2760 Louisiana Court?

AT No. Not at all.

CLN Okay. After Officer Smith was [coughs]...excuse me, interviewed and processed by Crime Lab....ah...did your duties end, or did you....do...where you assigned to other duties that night?

AT Nope. So after he was..if...ah...interviewed by an investigator from Hennepin County and processed, he was then allowed to leave, and so was I.

CLN Okay...

AT ...so, I wrote my short supplemental report, and then I was relieved of my duties as well.

CLN Okay. Um...that night, did you have any conversations with any other officers, whether they were involved in the OIS or officers in general....ah...regarding what happened....at..... ΑT ...l did not. CLN You did not? ΑT Mmm uh. Okay. Do you have any more....do you have any questions for me? CLN I do not. ΑT Okay. It's approximately 2:16. I'll...ah...interview with Investigator Trant is CLN concluded.

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Title: Summary Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Lewis on 8-8-2019

Christofer Nybeck

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Lewis on 8-8-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

#### OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer Lewis

# NARRATIVE:

On 8-8-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Officer Lewis at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Lewis' interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Officer Lewis' statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Lewis stated that he was not assigned to work on 1-19-2019 but was contacted (by phone) by Sgt. Balvin to come into work that night and assist in an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) that had occurred earlier that night in the City of St. Louis Park and involving St. Louis Park police officers.

Officer Lewis stated that after his call with Sgt. Balvin he proceeded to call Officers Merwin, Carlson and Trant to also come into work that night and assist with this OIS. Officer Lewis stated that he did not provide any specific details to these officers regarding the OIS during his phone calls to any of them.

Officer Lewis stated that on his drive into the St. Louis Park Police Department that night he called dispatch and requested the services of a chaplain so that they could assist with any police officers who were effected by the OIS.

Upon arrival at the St. Louis Park Police Department that night Officer Lewis stated that he met with Officer Carlson and proceeded to drive to the incident address. Officer Lewis stated he could not recall the exact address of the incident location (2760 Louisiana Ct #7) but stated that the address was in the Louisiana Ct. apartments which are located around a cul de sac. Officer Lewis further stated that the apartment location for this OIS was on the second floor and on the right hand side.

Officer Lewis stated that upon his arrival he met with Sgt. Balvin inside 2760 Louisiana Ct. but never entered apartment #7. At this time Officer Lewis stated that Sgt. Balvin informed him that Officers Heffernan, Smith, Peek and Pacholke were involved in the OIS and that Officer Heffernan had already been removed from the incident address and back to the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Lewis stated he does not know for sure but believes that Officer Erickson was the police officer that had transported Officer Heffernan back previously.

Officer Lewis then coordinated the transportation of Officers Smith, Peek and Pacholke back to the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Lewis stated he transported Officer Smith back that night but cannot recall who transported Officers Peek and Pacholke back or if they if drove themselves back.

Officer Lewis stated that on his way back to the St. Louis Park Police Department he did not speak to Officer Smith regarding the OIS.

When Officer Lewis arrived back at the St. Louis Park Police Department he recalls that Officer Merwin became Officer Peeks' "care officer" and Officer Trant became Officer Pacholke's "care officer". Officer Lewis stated that he then attempted to call other St. Louis Park police officers into work that night to assist with patrol coverage. Officer Lewis stated that he then took over as the "care officer" for Officer Pacholke and assigned Officer Carlson as CSO (Community Service Officer) Gorder's "care officer".

Officer Lewis stated that he sat with Officer Pachoke in his office. Officer Lewis stated that he did not talk to Officer Pacholke about the OIS at any point while both were in his office. Officer Lewis recalls that he asked if Officer Pacholke was "ok" and then made small talk thereafter. Officer Lewis stated he called Officer Pacholke's wife while both were in his office to let her know he (Officer Pacholke) was ok incase she had heard anything on the television or radio regarding this OIS.

Officer Lewis stated that he was present with Officer Pacholke that night with the exceptions of when Officer Pacholke met with his lawyer, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Crime Lab Tech and when Officer Pacholke met with Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Detectives for his formal statement. Officer Lewis stated that he escorted Officer Pachoke to and from each of these meetings.

Officer Lewis stated that after Officer Pacholke provided his formal statement he (Officer Pacholke) was allowed to go home for the night. Officer Lewis stated that he offered Officer Pacholke a ride home but he declined Officer Lewis' offer and drove himself home.

Officer Lewis stated that after Officer Pacholke left for the night, he completed his incident report and "stuck around the PD" to assist with whatever may be needed before going home himself that night.

Officer Lewis stated that at no time did he have any conversations with any Law Enforcement Officers that night about any specific details related to this OIS.

#### **DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:**

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Officer Lewis on 8-8-2019

Nybeck

Statement of Officer Donald J Lewis, taken at 17:01 HOURS on 08/08/2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Anna Villani typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN **Detective Christofer Nybeck** DJL Officer Donald J Lewis

CLN Alright today's date is August 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 it's approximately 5:01, Detective Nybeck Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department and I am here with, can I get your ahhh, full name and rank please?

Yup, ahhh, Donald J Lewis L-E-W-I-S and ahhh, officer. DJL

Okay. Before I ask any questions Officer Lewis, I just want to let you know this is a CLN voluntary consensual interview related to Saint Louis Park PD case number 19000303 and the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office case number 19000783. Both case numbers are related to an OIS. Officer Involved Shooting that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19th 2019 involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park Police Department. Additionally before I ask any questions, ahhh, I just want ask this question of is it correct that I have not threated, coerced or demanded that you take part in this interview with me today?

DJL It is correct, I'm here voluntarily.

Ahhh, the purpose of this interview and subsequent accompanying report, based CLN upon this interview, is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to the above listed case numbers. Do you have any questions before we start?

DJI I do not.

Were you working on January 19th of this year? CLN

DJL Ahhh, I was not.

CLN Were you made aware of an Officer Involved Shooting that night?

Yes I was. I was called by the Patrol Sergeant Balvin. Ahhh, at the time I was one DJL of the two Investigative Sergeants and ahhh, I'd been called by Sergeant Balvin advising me of a critical incident and requested that I come into work.

Did he provide you, excuse me, any specifics about this OIS, ahhh, for example, CLN who was involved, what specifically occurred?

DJL No.

Okay. Upon receiving this call from Sergeant Balvin, what did you do next? CLN Ahhh, I started to make contact with ahhh other investigators to get people to come DJL in, it was the evening hours. Umm, so I started calling other investigators saying

that we had a critical incident and see if I could get investigators in to help.

CLN DJL	Do you recall who you called to come in that night? Ahhh, referring from my report, I called Investigator Mike Merwin, Investigator AJ Carlson, and Investigator Aaron Trant ahhh and they responded to the PD with me as well.
CLN	When you spoke with these officers, did you provide them any specifics about what had occurred, or what did you tell them why they needed to come in early that
DJL	night? Ahhh, I told them that there was an Officer Involved Shooting, I didn't know who because I didn't have that information and that we needed to come in and, and assist.
CLN	Ahhh, when you came in, did you come in initially to the police department or the
DJL	incident scene? Ahhh, I came to the police department. Ahhh, left my personal vehicle here and then I met Investigator Carlson and he and I took one of the investigator cars from ahhh the police department and went to the scene.
CLN	While you were at the police department changing out, switching cars, ahhh, did you have any conversations related to this OIS with any officers, with ahhh, oh I'm sorry, with ahhh, it was an officer or a supervisor or anybody?  Ahhh, not that I can recall.
CLN	Okay. When were you, ahhh, given any specific directives about what to do once you arrived at the incident scene?
DJL	Ahhh, I was just going to look up Sergeant Balvin. I tried calling him, I believe a couple times, and he was on scene, he was pretty busy. So I wasn't ahhh, able to make contact with him, ahhh, on my drive in from my residence, which is about 25 miles away. So I did call dispatch and I requested that police chaplains be pa, be paged out, umm additionally. But ahhh, so my information was pretty minimal at that point.
CLN DJL	And is that common practice to request the services of the chaplain for an OIS? Yes.
CLN DJL	Okay, ahhh do you recall the address of the incident scene? Ahhh, I, vaguely, I mean I couldn't tell you specifically. Even in my supplemental report I don't have it in there, I know it's in the Louisiana Court apartment complex.
CLN	Okay. Ahhh when you arrived on scene with Investigator Carlson, what did you
DJL	guys do next? Ahhh, helped situate a couple cars, went right up to the apartment, I, I don't know the apart number and met with ahhh, Sergeant Balvin.
CLN	Ahhh, this apartment you're talking about, is it, can you kind of describe where it is in the apartment, if you don't recall the number, can you describe anything that
DJL	would? Yeah, I think it was ahhh, when you pulled down into Louisiana Court it deads end, dead ends into a cul-de-sac as your pulling in heading westbound, it was the building on the cul-de-sac, I believe on the right and if I remember correctly we had to go up one flight of stairs, so it must have been on the second floor.

CLN Okay, did you enter the apartment where the OIS occurred? No I did not. DJL Did you speak with any officers inside that apartment regarding the OIS at this CLN time? DJL No I did not. Okay, Ahhh, what did you and Sergeant Balvin talk about? CLN Sergeant Balvin let me know that the officers involved were Officers Peek, DJL Pacholke, ahhh, and Smith and Heffernan. Umm, it, at that point I don't' believe Officer Heffernan, I think he must have already been gone from the scene. Umm, so I ended up riding, the direction was to get those individuals back Peek, Pacholke and Maurice Smith back to the police department. Umm, so Officer Carlson and I split ways, I jumped in with ahhh, Officer Maurice Smith and then I actually drove his squad, he and I drove back to the police department from there. Do you recall who drove Officers Pacholke and Peek back? CLN I don't, they may have drove, driven themselves, I, I believe that, the direction that DJL we gave was to everyone to be separated, so that umm, there, there couldn't be even the possibility them talking with anyone else at this particular time. Ahhh, do you know how Officer Heffernan returned back to the police department CLN that night? Only through, I, no, I mean I don't personally know, I, I've heard I believe someone, DJL I'd heard that Officer Erickson may have brought him back or road with him, but, that I was, I didn't see that personally so. Okay. So you road back with Officer Smith, ahhh in the time it took you guys to go CLN from the incident scene back to the PD, it was only you two in the car? DJL Yes sir. And did you guys speak at all regarding the OIS on the drive back? CL N No. We just, the only thing that was spoke of is that Officer Smith thought it odd DJL that he was being driven by times Sergeant back to the police department. Okay. When you guys returned back to the police department, what did you guys CLN do next? Ahhh, by that time it ahhh, as I read from my report, Investigator Merwin ahhh had DJL arrived and Investigator Aaron Trant had arrived. So basically we started divvying out the involved parties with a care officer just to sit with them, so they wouldn't be alone ahhh while we waited for the investigation to start flushing out. So initially, I drove Investigator Smith back to the police department, umm, and then it was determined, I can't say by whom, that more, that Officer Smith was going to sit, his care officer was going to be Investigator Trant. So then Maurice basically walked ahhh, went with ahhh, Investigator Trant and went and sat in his investigator office, which is private. Umm, and then umm, Officer Peek went with Investigator Merwin for his care officer, and then initially Officer Pacholke went with Investigator Carlson as his care officer. Umm, and then ahhh, for that brief moment in time I was directed to try to call around get people to come in and cover the open patrol shifts.

CLN

DJL

Yes.

Ahhh, so after you attempted to have other officers come in, ahhh, to supplement CLN needed road officers, what did you do after that? At that point I was advised that our CSO at the time was riding along with one of DJL the involved officers, CSO Kennedy Gorder, umm, so is, I was instructed to find her a care officer, umm so at that point we basically just changed CSO Gorder went with Investigator Carlson, and Officer Pacholke came with me and we sat together in my office. When you and Officer Pacholke were in your office, did you, did either of you talk CLN about the OIS that night? No sir. DJL Did you guys speak at all that night? CLN Yeah. Just about, ahhh, I mean the first, first thing Officer Pacholke and I have DJL been friends for 20 years, the first thing I said is are you okay dude? And he said yup. And that was pretty much, that's all I needed to hear from him. CLN Umm, and ahhh, then we basically just small talked, we did not talk about the DJL Officer Involved Shooting. Ahhh, at one point we weren't sure if he could talk to anyone before he had spoken with one of the, one of the deputy investigators. So, being a friend of the man for 20 years, I also know his wife, I was worried that something might get out, so I quickly just called his wife and I said hey if you see anything on the news, Tony's okay, he'll call you when he can. And that was, that, Tony was sitting in my office when I did that, while I called his wife Katie. Umm, and then we just basically sat in my office and, and waited. Did Officer Pacholke umm, call Union, a Union representative or a lawyer or speak CLN with the chaplain at any point? Ahhh, he, he did as I re, re- rea, tongue tied as I review my report, I see that he, I DJL know he did speak with someone from LELS, and it says that he did leave the room, or it says he left the room on two occasions, first were his photographs by the crime lab, and then the second one was his consultation from and attorney from the LELS Legal Defense Fund. Were you present during the processing by the Sheriff's Office Crum, Clime, Crime CLN Lab? DJL No I was not. And were you present when Officer Pacholke met with his legal representation? CLN Nope, no I was not. DJL Do you, were you present, did he speak with ahhh, detective at all that night? CLN DJL Ahhh, yes. I believe he did. Okay, were you present for that interview? CLN No I was not. DJL

did you escort Officer Pacholke to those individuals?

When Officer Pacholke met with ahhh either Crime Lab, the lawyer or detectives,

CLN DJL	And did you escort Officer Pacholke back to your office? Yes.
CLN	Umm, what, at what point was Officer Pacholke informed that he could go home that night?
DJL	Ahhh, it must have been upon the completion of his formal statement and the escorting for me and Officer Pacholke was pretty short because it was the, it was the ahhh, interview room literally three feet across the hall from my office at the times, so I'd walk, watch him go in, they'd close the door, I'd come back out, umm I don't believe he went in there for his attorney. I walked him down, I believe to ahhh, one of the Lieutenants offices and then same thing for when he took, when he did, when he gave his formal statement, and then walked him back when he was done. He was told he could be released, umm, the only thing that I think we, that I missed was that at some point, umm, I think it was after his formal statement, he was told that it was okay to call his wife, and then he called his wife from my ahhh, office phone in my, in my office.
CLN DJL	And then was he allowed to go home that night then? Yes he was.
CLN	Ahhh, did he drive himself home, did his wife pick him up, how did he get home do you recall?
DJL	Ahhh, I ask him if he needed me to drive him, ahhh, because that's usually what you want to do as a care officer, make sure everything's, everything's good for that individual as their coming down from all this. And he said that he was fine, umm, and that he was okay to drive himself, and then he drove himself home from here to his house.
CLN DJL	After Officer Pacholke went home that night, what did you do next? What did I do next?
CLN	Yes, did you continue to assist with the incident or did you go home that night, what, what did you do then next?
DJL	Ahhh, I stayed there, I stayed at the police department a little later, I wrote out my supplemental report just documenting what had, my piece that we've gone over here. And then I ahhh, I waited at the police department for a while to see if there was anything that was in, in the assisting that needed being done either phone numbers being grabbed or anything like that. Pretty minimalistic.
CLN DJL	Okay. Ahhh, again just kind of as a cover all, catch all question, at any point, ahhh, stating upon your arrival at the PD until when you departed that night, did you have any conversations with any officers regarding the OIS, whether they were specific or general questions, general conversations, any that night? Not that I recall.
CLN	Okay. It's approximately 5:14, umm, unless you have any questions for me, my
DJL	interview is concluded. No sir.
CLN	Okay. Thank you Officer Lewis, it's approximately ahhh, now 5:15, interview with Officer Lewis is concluded.

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Christofer Nybeck

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Carlson on 7-30-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

## **OFFICERS INVOLVED:**

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer Carlson

## **NARRATIVE:**

On 7-30-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Officer Carlson at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Carlson's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Officer Carlson's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Carlson stated that he was notified via phone by Sgt. Lewis of the St. Louis Park Police Department that an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) had occurred in the City of St. Louis Park earlier that night (1-19-2019) involving a St. Louis Park police officer. Officer Carlson stated he was notified that Officers Pacholke and Peek were involved in the OIS but could not recall if he was advised of the names of the other two police officers involved (Officers Smith and Heffernan).

Officer Carlson stated that when he arrived at the St. Louis Park Police Department that night he was advised by Sgt. Lewis to grab keys for an unmarked police vehicle so he and Sgt. Lewis could go to the incident scene (2760 Louisiana Ct.) and transport OIS involved police officers back to the St. Louis Park Police Department.

Officer Carlson stated that upon arrival at the crime scene Sgt. Lewis directed Officer Carlson to be Officer Pacholke's "care officer". Officer Carlson stated that a "care officer's" assignment was to watch over their assigned police officer and tend to any of their needs and well being. Officer Carlson stated he did not have any conversations with Officer Pacholke regarding what had occurred prior to or during the OIS while as his "care officer".

Officer Carlson stated that Sgt. Lewis then transported Officer Pacholke from the incident scene back to the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Carlson stated that he followed Sgt. Lewis and Officer Pacholke as they drove back. Officer Carlson stated that he did not have any passengers with him at this time.

Upon arrival back at the St. Louis Park Police Department Sgt. Lewis assigned him as CSO (Community Service Officer) Goeder's "care officer". CSO Goeder was present at 2760 Louisiana Ct but not directly

involved in the OIS. Officer Carlson stated he does not know who transported CSO Goeder from the incident scene back to the St. Louis Park Police Department.

Officer Carlson stated that he and CSO Goeder sat in his office until they were both cleared by a St. Louis Park Police Department supervisor (believed to be Sgt. Lewis). Officer Carlson stated that he did not speak to CSO Goeder regarding any details related to the OIS and that they spoke about CSO Goeder's job at North Face (clothing apparel store). Officer Carlson stated that CSO Goeder had access to a union representative and a lawyer but he was not present when CSO Goeder spoke to either of them.

Officer Carlson stated that he called CSO Goeder later that evening or morning to make sure she arrived home safely after she left the St. Louis Park Police Department.

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Statement of Officer Arthur Carlson, taken at 14:27 HOURS on 07/30/2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Anna Villani typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck

AC Officer Arthur Carlson

CLN Alright today's date is July 30, 2019 and it is approximately 2:27 in the afternoon. Detective Nybeck, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department, I'm here in relation to Hennepin County case number 19000783, and Saint Louis Park case number 19000303. I'm here with, can I get your rank and your full name please?

Investigator Carlson, and its ahhh, Arthur Carlson.

CLN And ahhh, Arthur how long have you been a police officer?

AC Ahhh, just, just over five years. Started ahhh, February 10<sup>th</sup> of 2014.

CLN And had you worked for Saint Louis Park the entire time or any other departments?

AC Since February 10<sup>th</sup> 2014 I've been a police officer here.

CLN Okay.

AC

AC In Saint Louis Park.

CLN At Saint Louis Park. Alright ahhh, before I ask any questions, I just want to make sure you understand this is a voluntary and a consensual interview. Ahhh, this interview is related to Saint Louis Park case number 190000303. This case number is related to an OIS Officer Involved Shooting that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2019, involving Officer Heffernan. I also want to make it clear that I did not threaten, coheres, or demand this interview, is that

correct?

AC Correct.

CLN Okay, ahhh, is this statement of your own volition your free at will?

AC Yes.

CLN Okay. Ahhh, the purpose of this interview and the subsequent report generated from this interview, ahhh, is to provide supplemental information related to your original report. Regarding your actions and knowledge related to the above case

number. Does that make sense?

AC Yes.

CLN Okay. So, umm, on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 were you notified ahhh, regarding an Officer

Involved Shooting in Saint Louis Park?

AC I have ahhh, January 20<sup>th</sup> in my report.

CLN AC	It's, its, 20 <sup>th</sup> would be the following day. It must be the ahhh, time stamp on there from when it was submitted. I'm just looking at my supplemental narrative.
CLN	Okay. Ahhh, just check on the calendar here. Yeah I know it was a Saturday, and the Saturday was the 19 <sup>th</sup> .
AC	[Inaudible 00:02:33].
CLN AC	So it's understandable you may have written it, you know it's a long day for everybody. So if you wrote it on the 20 <sup>th</sup> I, I could understand that. Uhh, but were you notified regarding an OIS in Saint Louis Park on or around the 19th? Yes.
CLN AC	And who notified you? Sergeant Lewis.
CLN AC	And what did he state to you when notified you about this? I received a phone call from Sergeant Lewis and to respond to the Saint Louis Park Police Department for ahhh, Officer Involved Shooting.
CLN	Did Sergeant Lewis inform you about who was involved, what specifically
AC	happened, where it happened, anything? Ahhh, he on the phone said ahhh, Officer Pacholke and Officer Peek and then Louisiana Court and that was all I recall on the phone call. And he said respond to Saint Louis Park Police Department.
CLN	Alright do you remember approximately what time you arrived at the police
AC	department here? I have ahhh, in my reference in my supplemental narrative, I'd, had put 1833 hours I received the phone call from Sergeant Louis and then it was ahhh, short time after that was, I'd within the half hour
CLN AC	okay so between 1833 and 1900 hours approximately.
CLN	Okay, when you arrived, ahhh, did you meet up with Sergeant Lewis at the police department?
AC	Yes.
CLN	And did he give you direction on what to do or did he give you more specifics about what had occurred?
AC	He gave me directions and told me to get the keys for an unmarked squad car and that he and myself would drive from the Saint Louis Park Police Department to the Louisiana Court apartment complex.
CLN AC	And did you guys do that? Yes.
CLN AC	And it was just you two in the car? Yes.

CLN	Okay. Ahhh, when you guys arrived at 2760 Louisiana Court, what did you guys do next?
AC CLN AC	I parked the unmarked squad and then we ahhh, entered the building, ahhh 2760? Yes.
CLN AC	Okay. Umm, did you or Sergeant Lewis speak to any officer on the scene whether they were involved in the OIS or they were just there to assist? I stood by the, Sergeant Lewis directed me to, that I would be a care officer.
CLN AC	And what is a care officer mean?  Ahhh, that ahhh, someone that was involved in the incident, ahhh that we would go back to the Saint Louis Park Police Department and sit with them in an office. Care officer is to make sure that they're taken care of as far as ahhh, need anything to drink, ahhh, food, ahhh, make sure that medically and then psychologically just sit there with them, if there's anything that came up then to notify ahhh, someone. And we're, we're instructed as care officers not to discuss anything specific to what had occurred. But just to ahhh, sit with them and talk to them about something other than the incident.
CLN AC	Okay. So officer, or Sergeant Lewis directed you to be a care officer at the crime scene?  Correct.
CLN AC	Ahhh, who did he specifically assign you to? Initially I was told that I would be a care officer for Officer Pacholke, and so then I saw Officer Pacholke on scene and stood by with him. And then I was instructed that Sergeant Lewis said that he'd be the care officer for Officer Pacholke and ride back in a marked squad with Officer Pacholke and that I would follow back in the unmarked squad.
CLN AC	Okay. Prior to departing and while you were standing with Officer Pacholke, did you guys, did you and Officer Pacholke speak about what occurred inside the apartment?  No.
CLN AC	Okay. So Officer Pacholke rode back to the PD with Sergeant Lewis, correct? Yes to the best of my recollection.
CLN AC	And you followed them back in another car? There was ahhh, multiple marked squads, ahhh, including ahhh, CSO vehicle and I followed back the multiple squads to the Saint Louis Park Police Department.
CLN AC	Alright. In those multiple squads, were the other officers that were involved in the last, in those squads? Some of those involved, as far as I know is ahhh, Officer Pacholke and Sergeant Lewis, and then I believe that I recalled the CSO vehicle ahhh, was in there, but as far as if that was all the officers involved I don't know if in that group was driving back then. I don't, I don't know on that.
CLN	Okay. So you followed Officer Lewis and Officer Pacholke, was it directly back to the police department?

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AC	And we'd, ahhh, left Louisiana Court and then drove back to the police as far as the order of the squads, if, if I ended up turning in the lot first we're all multiple squads staggered coming back, so I don't recall the of you know, which marked car versus CSO vehicle versus my positionall after Sergeant Lewis directed to drive back to the police department back with other marked squads.	or them, exact order on. But we
CLN AC	By yourself? Correct. It, ahhh, by myself in the unmarked squad.	
CLN AC	Ahhh, when you were, when you arrived, do you, nobody, no other ca aware of, stopped anywhere else on the way back? Was it directly froscene to the PD? Yes.	
CLN AC	Okay. When you arrived back here, were you given directives to do ar So I arrived back, parked the unmarked squad in the lot, went in, ahhl office in the Saint Louis Park Police Department. I was then directed be Lewis that umm, my, I would be the care officer once again, not for Of Pacholke but for Community Service Officer Gorder.	n, toward my by Sergeant
CLN	Okay and then where did you meet off, CSO Gorder when you guys a	rrived back
AC	here? Ahhh, she was directed ahhh, that I was her care officer and we, she office, sat across from my desk and then I sat in the ahhh, desk chair her and we ahhh, closed the door.	
CLN AC	And who brought CSO Gorder to your office? You know I don't recall, I do not recall if she was, there's multiple peoparound the hallways. I don't recall if she walked directly by herself at the she, someone else, you know, had her go into my office and they turn walked down the hall, I don't recall.	hat point or if
CLN	Okay. How was her demeanor, her, her physical and mental state at t you can, it's your, it's your opinion. You're not a doctor, but what was	
AC	I, as far as knowing Community Service Officer Gorder and now she's officer since then. Umm, I've known her here, and meeting her but I've her appearance and everything, she was quiet that night, umm, but no just sat in my office and didn't say much at all. So, the read on her wa knowing her a lot or very well, I mean I see her in passing but, just I'd observation is quiet.	a police e, as far as othing, she s, from not
CLN AC	Okay. Ahhh, while she was in your office, who was in the office, your office? You and her, was there anybody else inside? It was just ahhh, her and myself, ahhh with the door closed until at a lanoted in my supplemental report that ahhh, a Union representative with attorney requested to come in to speak with her. And then at that point the ahhh, break room and.	ater point, I th or slash

So you weren't present for the meeting with attorney or ...

CLN

AC CLN ...correct...
...Union rep?

AC I ended up going down the hallway and going to the break room, just hanging out in the hallway until they were completed. CLN Were you able to, were, when you went to the breakroom, were you able to see if anybody else would have of came into your office while those two were inside? AC At that time ahhh, walking away and the door was still closed with them I'd, walked back to look and they'd appeared to be on the same positions that they were when I had, they'd closed the door and I had walked out. CLN Okay. When it was just you and CSO Gorder in your office, before the Union rep or lawyer arrived, umm, and was there a time after the Union rep slash lawyer left, that you, you two were in the office, your office by yourself? AC Right after ahhh, the ahhh, Union rep left and she came back in we shut the door for a while until we were cleared by our supervisors for the night ahhh, clear from the department. CLN Were you, at any point, when you were in the, your room with CSO Gorder, did you get, did, excuse me, did you two speak about the Officer Involved Shooting at all? AC No. CLN Ahhh, did you guys speak at all while you guys were in there? AC Yes. CLN And what did you guys talk about? She ahhh, explained that she worked at North Face, so we were talking about AC jackets and other type of ahhh, camping gear and North Face gear or apparel. CLN But nothing related to the OIS? AC No. CLN Or what she saw or heard while she was present? AC Okay. Umm, when, ahhh, when did she leave your office? And when did you leave CLN your office or like when were you guys cleared? As so I, the only time just recalling now that ahhh, we both ahhh, left together at all AC was at a certain point, ahhh, but then I recall which officer it was ahhh, brought by ahhh, McDonalds. Came up to see if anyone wanted ahhh, food and umm, ahhh, Community Service Officer Gorder declined. At one point we then sat in the ahhh, break room umm, away from the office but it was just the two of us. And then we went back to the office, she wanted to get ahhh, to go to the break room and then, I believe she had a snack or umm, beverage there and then went back to the office, and then later we were cleared. CLN And who cleared you? Or who gave you and CSO Gorder permission to go home? Ahhh, it'd be, we cleared with ahhh, Sergeant Lewis before we left, but as far as AC who passed information along directly, ahhh, it, I don't recall as far as directly on that, I know we followed up with the Sergeant, and Sergeant Lewis advised to ahhh, complete our, and for myself to complete the ahhh, narrative after CSO Gorder ahhh, left the room. I completed the supplemental report and then was then advised after that to clear for the night.

CLN	While you were in your office, at any point with CSO Gorder, did she make any phone calls?
AC	No.
CLN	So the only contact she had with anyone, was either you or the lawyer slash Union rep, is that correct?
AC	Yes, other than the ahhh, officer that was walking around just ahhh, handing out McDonalds and she, they just do you want anything, do you, umm, or fries, or I believe it was cheeseburgers. I'm, and I beli, believe it was ahhh, Officer Jones that was passing out McDonalds but I could be corrected on that as far as if there were multiple officers handing that out, but I hand out the McDonalds but it was just would you like can you eat meat and, ahhh, CSO Gorder declined and the door was closed again.
CLN AC	But no ahhh, no talking of the OIS, correct? Correct.
CLN	Okay. And Serg, Sergeant Lewis was the one that notified you and CSO Gorder that you guys could leave for the night correct?
AC	We, we ran it by him and he advised that ahhh, she'd, she'd left and then he, Sergeant Lewis ahhh, told me to complete a supplemental narrative and then declare for the shift, or the end of the shift.
CLN	Ahhh, to the best of your ability, do you know how CSO Gorder got home that night? Did she get a ride, did she drive herself?
AC	Do not recall on that, but ahhh, recall that ahhh, called her to follow-up later umm, to make sure she arrived home and other CSO's that work with her including ahhh, Community Service Officer Smith, ahhh, also phoned, called her, texted her just to make sure she got home safely. I believe she, or recall she drove herself. That she ahhh, declined a ride home.
CLN AC	Okay. I don't know if something changed between then.
CLN AC	Do you have any questions for me? No.
CLN	Okay. It's approximately 2:42 in the afternoon, ahhh, interview with Officer Gorden is concluded. [Officer Carlson].

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# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Forsman on 8-1-2019. For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

## OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer Forsman

## NARRATIVE:

On 7-30-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Officer Forsman at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Forsman's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Officer Forsman's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Forsman stated that he was contacted by Officer Boise (via phone) while on his way into work on 1-19-2019. Officer Forsman stated that Officer Boise informed him that there had been an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) in the City of St. Louis Park that night and that he (Officer Forsman) needed to get to work "asap". Officer Forsman stated that he was not provided any specifics regarding this OIS from Officer Boise.

Officer Forsman stated that he initially went to the St. Louis Park Police Department, changed into his uniform and then proceeded directly to the incident address (2760 Louisiana Ct.). Officer Forsman stated he did not know the exact address of the OIS but described it as being on the north side of a cul de sac.

Upon Officer Forsman's arrival at the incident address he stated he met with Sgt. Nadem. Officer Forsman stated that Sgt. Nadem informed him that Officer Heffernan was involved in the OIS. Officer Forsman stated he observed Officers Heffernan, Peek and Smith being escorted out and away from the incident scene by other police officers. Based upon these observations Officer Forsman stated he made the assumption that Officers Peek and Smith were also involved or present for the OIS

Officer Forsman stated that he was assigned to the crime scene log by Sgt. Nadem. Officer Forsman stated that he took over the crime scene log from either Officer Olson (Minnetonka PD) or a Hennepin County Crime Lab Technician. Officer Forsman stated that prior to his duties manning the crime scene log he was assigned to perimeter duty for approximately 30min to 1hr. Officer Forsman stated that his perimeter assignment was to the east of the cul de sac and that he remained in his police vehicle for this assignment.

Officer Forsman stated that while on perimeter duty his job was to make sure no one entered the incident scene without permission or purpose. Officer Forsman stated that his duty manning the crime scene log

was to document who and at what time people entered apartment #7 and who had any contact with any possible evidence inside this apartment.

Officer Forsman stated that his assistance and duties that night were terminated by Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Crime Lab Technicians. Officer Forsman stated that he assisted in cleaning up the incident scene before returning to the St. Louis Park Police Department where he completed his report for the OIS before returning to his normal shift duties for the night.

Officer Forsman stated that he did not have any conversations with any police officers that night regarding any specific details related to this OIS.

## DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:

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Statement of Officer Alex Forsman, DOB: , taken at 19:28 HOURS on August 1st. 2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Samantha Grates typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No.19000783.

CLN **Detective Christofer Nybeck** 

AF Officer Alex Forsman, Saint Louis Park Police Department

CLN Alright todays date is August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. It's approximately 7:28 in the evening. Detective Nybeck Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department uh in relation to Hennepin County case number 19000783 and Saint Louis Park PD case number 19000303. And I'm here with can I get your rank and your full name please?

ΑF Uh my name is Alex Forsman...

CLN ...and...

ΑF ...and I'm a police officer with Saint Louis Park.

CLN Okay uh Officer Forsman uh before I ask you any questions related to the uh case number I stated earlier. I want to let you know this is a voluntary consensual interview related to Saint Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This case number is related to an OIS, officer involved shooting that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis, Saint Louis Park Police Department. Additionally uh is it correct that I have not, threatened, coerced, or demanded that you take part in this interview?

AF That's correct.

Okay. Uh just to let you know the purpose of this interview and subsequent CLN accompanying report based upon this interview is to provide supplemental information excuse me supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to the above listed case number. Do you have any questions about anything I've mentioned so far?

AF No questions.

Okay were you scheduled to work, excuse me. Were you scheduled to work on CLN January 19th?

AF I was.

Okay and what was your shift that night? CLN AF Uh I was supposed to come in from 7 to 7.

CLN Uh PM to AM?

AF Yep I'm sorry 1900 to 7:00 A.M.

Okay um at some point during that night were you made aware of an officer involved CLN shooting in your city involving Saint Louis Park police officers?

Correct uh I was driving into work and uh I got the call that they needed me to come AF

in a little early.

CLN Okay and who called you regarding this?

AF Uh Robert Boise.

CLN And what did Officer Boise tell you? From the best of your knowledge specifically?

AF He just said that we had officer involved shooting and we need to get to work as soon

as possible.

CLN Did he notify you about which officers were involved or any specifics regarding the

OIS...?

AF ...no.

CLN So did you, come to the police department initially or did you go to the incident

scene?

AF I immediately went to the police department and got dressed.

CLN And then what did you do?

AF Uh after I got dressed I went and grabbed a squad and went right to the incident

scene.

CLN And do you recall the address of the incident scene?

AF Uh I know it was in Louisiana Courts. Uh I don't even have the exact address right

now in my mind.

CLN Anything about that location of the apartment...

AF ...yeah...

CLN ...uh...

AF ...it was in the circle, the main circle of Louisiana Courts and it's the apartment that

was off a, if you were in the middle of the circle it's the apartment directly to the, a

right.

CLN Okay...

.AF ...you turn right...

CLN ...okay. Well and, and...

AF ...or north...
CLN ...north okay...

AF ...yeah...

CLN ... cause it depends what way were facing...

AF ... yep, yep, yep if you go it's uh in the circle it's the apartment to the north.

CLN Okay uh, upon arrival at this location what did you do who did you speak to what did

you learn?

AF Uh I just learned that, uh Officer Heffernan was uh, in an officer involved shooting.

They were getting him off the scene. Uh they asked me to help start setting up a perimeter so I started to help to set up a, uh inner perimeter of around the building. Uh once I started setting up I got asked to come inside and to take the uh, uh over for

the log.

CLN Okay. Uh when you arrived who informed you of that Officer Heffernan was involved

an OIS?

AF I think it was the Sergeant uh who, a Sergeant Nadem that just alerted me.

CLN Okay and do you recall specifically what he said about Officer Heffernan's involvement in the OIS? AF He just said uh, I think he just said "Sam's involved. We gotta get Sam out of here." And uh, a "Can you take over the crime log?" Did he a, provide any other names of officers involved in the OIS? CLN AF Uh I mean I knew that a, Officer Peek and Officer Smith were involved because they were both getting taking out of there too. Detectives arrived on scene to have them taken out too. Uh when they were being taking out was there a policy that Saint Louis Park follows CLN in a situation like this? AF Yeah uh, to get the officers involved out they sent with ahh they had another officer come and drive that officer off the scene to get them out of there. Do you recall which officer was with which officer? CLN I'll be honest I don't remember. ΑF CLN Okay. Um so you arrived Sergeant Nadem informed you about this? AF Mm-hmm. CLN Uh did he give you any kind of directives or assignments? Uh to take over the crime log. ΑF CLN And... ΑF ... or the, the log for the uh door. CLN Okay. Uh was that outside the apartment? Inside the apartment? Outside the apartment. I never entered the apartment. ΑF Okay now when I say apartment I'm specifically initially I was talking about the whole CLN apartment complex. AF Mm-hmm. CLN But are you referring to the specific apartment where the OIS occurred? I had the specific apartment where the OIS occurred. AF CLN So you never went inside? I never went inside. ΑF CLN Uh where were you located in relation to the front door for this apartment? AF Um in relation to the front door I'd be right probably to the left side of the door in front of the, by the stairs that enter into the apartment. CLN Did you take over the crime scene log duties from anybody? Uh I think it was a Hennepin County officer. ΑF CLN Okay do you recall who, which one? Was it Tim? Tim something? I, I don't remember. ΑF Well I know there was a Tim Olson there that night and he's a Minnetonka Officer. CLN

I don't, I don't believe so that he was the officer that I took over from. ΑF CLN Okay. Cause I know I initially I took over for. So initially when I came in I took over from ΑF Officer Peek was the one who was standing at the door doing a, a log. CLN Ok! y. I took over for him. Uh then I got moved outside to go do help with the perimeter ΑF again. And then I got moved back inside and that's when the Hennepin County officer. I took over for the Hennepin County officer. Okay so at some point before you did the crime scene log you were assigned to the CLN perimeter? Mm-hmm. ΑF CLN Uh where were you located for the, your perimeter duty? Uh I'd be uh I'd be [inaudible 06:23] so at the beginning of the circle so the east side ΑF of a Louisiana Courts. Were you in your car or were you out in the ..? CLN ΑF ...in my car. Okay and to you, in your own words what does perimeter duty mean? CLN Perimeter duty is making sure that uh people that are coming into the scene that need AF to be there can be let in. But people that aren't supposed to be in the perimeter or in the scene aren't let in. Okay did somebody, do you recall who assigned you that perimeter duty? CLN ΑF Ahh Sergeant Nadem. And then who assigned you from perimeter duty back inside the apartment to do the CLN crime scene log? Sergeant Nadem again. AF Okay approximately how long were you doing your perimeter duty for? CLN ΑF I think I was probably out there for a half hour to an hour. CLN Okay so you go back inside and now you're taking care of the crime scene log. ΑF Mm-hmm. Um and again I'm sorry you're unsure of who you took over for or do you know? CLN ΑF I'm not sure who I took over for. Okay. And in your, in your own words what does, what kind of what are the duties of CLN doing a crime log? What's the importance of it or and what are the specifics of doing it? So in my log I was making sure to write down who was coming into the apartment and AF who was leaving the apartment. Uh and I was making sure documenting ahh times that they arrived and times that they left. And in your own words what's the importance of maintaining a crime scene log? CLN Uh it's important to maintain a crime scene log to make sure that we have the AF

accountability of who was at the apartment that night and who came in and out of the apartment.

CLN Okay. Approximately how long were you assigned as the crime scene log officer?

AF A couple hours at least.

CLN Okay.

AF Uh until the end of the night.

CLN And who advised you that you could terminate that duty?

AF A I think it was by s-, it was by Hennepin County Crime Lab. They advised me and then I, called Sergeant Nadem and Sergeant Nadem said! was good to go.

CLN Okay. Uh so when you terminated your duty running the crime scene log. What did you do next?

AF Uh I signed the log. I gave the log over to Hennepin County Crime Lab, and I went out and assisted anyway possible with just clean up outside. With the van or our mobile van.

CLN And what did you do after that?

AF I got in my car and I left the scene.

CLN And where did you go?

AF I went back to the PD. And I wrote a supplemental about the, a event.

CLN And did you go home then? Or did you do anything else that night?

AF I, I worked the rest of the night.

CLN Did you complete your shift?

AF Mm-hmm.

CLN Normal scheduled, scheduled duties?

AF Normal scheduled duties.

Okay at any point during that night from the time that you arrived at the police department until the time you left that night at the end of your shift. Did you have any conversations with any Saint Louis Park officers or assisting law enforcement officers regarding anything specific related to the OIS? Or anything that led up the OIS?

AF I mean everybody was, we just knew to not talk about it and to. I don't, I didn't talk to anybody about it.

CLN Okay. So you had no conversations with anybody?

AF The only conversation's we would have had would have been later we did a crisis debrief uh and, a just debriefed what everybody's duties were and but no one talked about the specifics of the case.

CLN Okay. Do you have any, excuse me, further questions for me?

AF No.

CLN Okay it's approximately 7:34, excuse me. My interview with Officer Forsman is concluded.

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Title: Summary Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Boise on 8-1-2019

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Boise on 8-1-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

## **OFFICERS INVOLVED:**

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer Boise

## NARRATIVE:

On 8-1-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Officer Boise at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Boise's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Officer Boise's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Boise stated that he was notified about the OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) in St. Louis Park involving St. Louis Park police officers on 1-19-2019 via radio traffic. Officer Boise stated that upon learning of this OIS he proceeded from the St. Louis Park Police Department to the incident scene (2760 Louisiana Ct). Officer Boise stated he could not remember the exact address of the incident scene.

Officer Boise stated that upon his arrival at the incident scene he met with a St. Louis Park police supervisor (believed to be Sgt. Nadem). Officer Boise stated that he was directed by this supervisor to put up crime scene tape around the incident scene. Officer Boise stated that Officer Ford assisted him in placing the crime scene tape in approximately 100yds in each direction of the incident scene.

Officer Boise he was aware of which St. Louis Park police officers were present for this OIS based upon what was listed on the computer in his police squad.

Officer Boise stated that he also called additional St. Louis Park police officers to come into work and assist that night with this OIS. Officer Boise stated that when he made these calls to other police officers he informed them that there was an OIS that occurred in the City of St. Louis Park earlier that night involving "Sam" (Officer Heffernan). Officer Boise stated that he did not provide these called police officers more details other than it was an OIS and that Officer Heffernan was involved in the OIS. Officer Boise stated that he recalls calling Officers Eisel and Forsman to come and assist with perimeter duties.

Officer Boise stated that after he put up the crime scene tape around the incident scene he was directed to assist with perimeter duties around the incident scene. Officer Boise stated that he was posted at varying locations around the incident scene as needed (to relieve and break other perimeter officers) and that while he was doing this he remained in his police vehicle. Officer Boise stated that he was not aware of anyone

violating the perimeter of the incident scene where he was posted.

Officer Boise stated that he never entered 2760 Louisiana Ct #7 (OIS location) and that he never talked with other police officers that night regarding any specifics related to this OIS.

Officer Boise stated that he remained at the incident scene for approximately 6hrs that night. Officer Boise stated that after he left the incident scene he went back to the St. Louis Park Police Department to write his report and then completed his regularly assigned shift in the City of St. Louis Park taking calls for service.

# DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Officer Boies on 8-1-2019

Statement of Officer Robert Boies, taken at 19:12 HOURS on 08/01/2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Anna Villani typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck

RB Officer Robert Boies

Today's date is August 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 it's approximately 7:12 in the evening. Detective Nybeck, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department in relation to Hennepin County case number 190000783 and Saint Louis Park case number 19000303. Ahhh, before I ask any questions related to this interview, I just want to let you know this is a voluntary consensual interview related to Saint Louis Park PD case number 19000303, this case number is related to an OIS Officer Involved Shooting that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park Police Department. Additionally, ahhh, is it correct that I have not threatened, coerced or demanded that you speak with me during this interview, or for this interview,

correct?

RB Correct.

Okay. Ahhh, just to let you know, the purpose of this interview and subsequent accompanying report, based upon this interview is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to the above listed case number. After hearing all that do you have any

questions for me?

RB No.

CLN Okay, umm were you scheduled to work on January 19<sup>th</sup> of this year?

RB Yes.

CLN Okay and what was your shift?

RB Ahhh, dog watch.

CLN And I'm sorry I should have ask this initially, what is your rank and full name?

RB Umm, I'm an officer, my name is Robert Boies, and my last name is spelled B as in

boy O-l-E-S.

CLN Okay. A, at some so point on the 19<sup>th</sup> were you notified regarding an officer

involved shooting in your city involving Saint Louis Park Police Officers?

RB Yes.

CLN And how were you notified?

RB I was getting ready for work by setting up a police car and turn on the radio and the

first transmission I heard was shots fired.

CLN RB	What was your next action? Umm, I quickly got into uniform to get, umm on scene.
CLN	And did you drive there with posted speed limits or did you go in like a Code 3 manner?
RB	Ahhh, posted speed limits.
CLN RB	No lights and sirens? No because the scene was Code 4.
CLN	Okay. Ahhh, upon your arrival, what did you see and what did you do, who did you speak to?
RB	Umm, I took directions from ahhh, a Sergeant, I don't' necessarily recall who the name was, to set up umm, a crime scene tape.
CLN RB	So the Sergeant directed you to set up ahhh, perimeter with crime scene tape? Yes.
CLN RB	And, and do you, I'm sorry, you don't recall who it was? I believe it may have been Sergeant Nadem but I'm not 100 percent sure.
CLN	Okay, and kind of what was the circumference of the crime scene tape that you set up?
RB	Umm, so it was probably 100 yards in each direction, umm, around the apartment building in the cul-de-sac.
CLN RB	And do you recall what the apartment address was? Ahhh, no I don't.
CLN RB	Okay. But it was in your city, correct? Yes sir.
CLN RB	Okay, after you, did anybody assist you in setting up the crime scene tape? Umm, I believe Officer Ford did, umm, but I think the vast majority of it I did by myself.
CLN RB	Okay. Other than hearing that there was an OIS in your city via your squad radio, ahhh, were you informed of anything else upon your arrival at the incident scene? Umm, no I, I knew that Crime Lab was started, ahhh, I knew that Fire was cleared, umm, I observed other ahhh, officers on scene from other agencies that came to assist us. Umm, and that's all I recall.
CLN	Okay. Ahhh, were you notified by anybody regarding which Saint Louis Park officers were involved in the OIS? Yes.
CLN RB	And who, who informed you? Ahhh, the, the radio. Cause he, he aired his call sign shots fired.
CLN	Okay. Ahhh, did Sergeant Nadem or the Sergeant that you spoke to when you initially arrived, ahhh, provide further details regarding the OIS?

RB	No.
CLN RB	Did you, ahhh, speak to any other officers at, in Saint Louis Park, ahhh regarding what had occurred? No.
CLN RB	Did you call any officers that may have been called in, ahhh, to assist in the OIS, regarding what was going on? Yes.
CLN RB	And what did you inform them? I just said that we had an Officer Involved Shooting, umm, and that ahhh, it involved Sam and that he was okay and that's all I knew.
CLN RB	Okay. Anything beyond what you just informed me about? Ahhh, at some point I was asked to have people come in to help with the perimeter and help with ahhh, call load, as we were getting ahhh, calls that were going on hold.
CLN RB	Okay. Umm, but ahhh, you, you know, you had stated that you informed other officers that there was an OIS and Officer Heffernan was involved, did you involve, did you inform any of these officers that you called anything beyond what you just stated?  No.
CLN RB	Okay. After you set up of the crime scene tape, ahhh, what did you do next? Umm, at some point I was ask to call in ahhh, couple officers to help take calls and ahhh, set up on the perimeter.
CLN RB	Where, where did you say, were you outside or were you in your squad for the perimeter? Yeah I was in my squad for the perimeter.
CLN	And where was your squad located in relation to the apartment building and where
RB	the incident took place? Ahhh, several different locations as we were umm, taking short breaks so that people could, you know, use the restroom or eat.
CLN	Okay. Ahhh, and, kind of explain to me in your own words, what does establishing a perimeter mean?
RB	Ahhh, making sure that the scene is locked down, making sure that we don't have vehicle traffic coming through, making sure that people aren't going over the crime scene tape.
CLN	Did anybody, at least where you were positioned or situated, violate the crime scene perimeter?
RB	Ahhh, not without like getting authorization from ahhh, who was in command.
CLN	Okay. So, I guess how I understand it, is nobody breached the perimeter unless they had authorization from a supervisor?
RB	Correct.

Okay. Did you ever go inside the apartment where the incident took place? No.
How about the apartment building itself, the whole building? I stepped in the entry way to ask ahhh, a couple questions about umm, you know like the scene and how big we want to make it, umm, things like that.
Okay. Can you, it, to the best of your ability, can you kind of be specific about the questions you asked and the answers you received? Yeah umm, I, I ask ahhh, how, how big do we want to set up the perimeter and I said is it okay if I go to this pole and you know, just kind of just pointed out where, you know, to make sure that they were okay with you know, this being secured all way to back, back to that point and then securing off the cul-de-sac. Umm, and then I said okay, you know, do you want me to call people in to come help with the perimeter cause right now we need, we need more bodies, you know, like umm, should we have another agency come help us, see if there's a couple agencies that can spare some cars to help us with this perimeter until we get more of our own personnel here. Ahhh.
Okay. Umm, ahhh do you recall who you were speaking to inside the apartment at
this time? Ahhh, well it was in the entry way, I believe it was either Sergeant Nadem, umm, or Sergeant ahhh, Balvin.
Okay. Ahhh, did any, did you have any conversation with either officer at this time
regarding any specifics about what occurred ahhh, prior to or during the OIS? No.
Ahhh, were you given directives about what to do when you asked these questions? Yes.
Okay and what did you do next then? Ahhh, we just discussed the ahhh, the perimeter and the, I just carried out that, that action. Umm, I, I don't recall if I ask dispatch over the air or over the phone if they could ask another agency to come help us with the perimeter, umm, and then it was at that time that I believe that I called umm, Officer Eisel and Officer Forsman to come help with the perimeter.
Okay. Ahhh, were you positioned the entire time in the same location for your
perimeter duties? No.
Can you, can you identify what areas you had moved your car to? Ahhh, so originally I was on the East side of the cul-de-sac, umm, and then we needed coverage umm, on the northwest corner of the apartment complex and then we needed coverage on the ahhh, southwest corner of the complex, so I basically took ahhh, different positions to allow people to take a break.
And you recall roughly how long you were there that night? Ahhh, I want to say it was probably six hours.

CLN RB	Okay. And how were you notified that you could be relieved or? Ahhh, I would say a supervisor, I would remain on scene until I was cleared by a supervisor.
CLN . RB	Okay, ahhh, when you cleared the scene what did you do next? I came back to the police department and wrote my report.
CLN RB	And then what did you do next? Umm, I started taking other, other calls in the city.
CLN RB	So you went back to your normal scheduled duties? Um-hum, yes sir.
CLN	At any point during the night, umm, from, and I'm talking about from the time that you arrived at the PD until you went home from your shift that night, did you have any conversations with any Saint Louis Park police officers or other assisting law enforcement officers regarding, excuse me, the, any specifics about what had occurred prior to or during the OIS inside that apartment building and inside that specific apartment itself?  No.
CLN RB	Okay. Do you have any questions for me?  No sir.
CLN	Okay. It is approximately 7:22 my interview with Officer Boies is concluded.

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# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Sgt. Nadem on 7-30-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

## OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Sgt. Nadem

## NARRATIVE:

On 7-30-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Sgt. Nadem at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Sgt. Nadem's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Sgt. Nadem's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Sgt. Nadem stated that he was scheduled to work on 1-19-2019 from 6:30pm to 6:30am. Sgt. Nadem stated that he was informed of an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) that occurred in the City of St. Louis Park involving St. Louis Park police offices on this date via his radio while he was changing into his uniform in the Police Department's locker room.

Sgt. Nadem stated that he proceeded to the OIS scene address (2760 Louisiana Ct) and upon his arrival he observed Officer Erickson walking with Officer Heffernan as his "care officer" towards him (Sgt. Nadem). Sgt. Nadem stated that he did not observe Officer Erickson and Officer Heffernan speaking to each other and did not observe anyone at the incident scene speaking with Officer Heffernan.

Sgt. Nadem stated that he entered 2760 Louisiana Ct #7 (scene of OIS) to make sure the scene was secured. At this time he observed Officers Peek and Pacholke inside this apartment. Sgt. Nadem stated he did not have any conversations with Officers Peek and Pacholke related to specific information related to the OIS at this time.

Sgt. Nadem stated that he went into apartment #8 (across the hall from #7) and checked in on Mylee Workman (girlfriend/significant other of Matthew Tuhkanen/deceased). Sgt. Nadem stated he could not recall who had informed him who Workman was or why she was in apartment #8. Sgt. Nadem stated that he attempted to calm and console Workman at this time. Sgt. Nadem stated that Workman had made a statement that Tuhkanen was intoxicated or had been drinking vodka earlier that evening. Sgt. Nadem stated that upon his entry into apartment #8 he assigned Officer Maurice Smith to sit with Workman and her child inside this apartment.

Sgt. Nadem stated that after he exited apartment #8 he instructed Officer Boise to place crime scene tape

around 2760 Louisiana Ct. and the surrounding cul de sac. Sgt. Nadem stated that he also requested the "comm van" (command van) and released assisting Minnetonka police officers who were at the incident scene.

Sgt. Nadem stated that one of his primary concerns was to make sure the incident scene's integrity was maintained. Sgt. Nadem stated he assigned Officer Forsman to maintain a incident scene log for individuals entering apartment #7.

Sgt. Nadem stated that he did not speak to any St. Louis Park police officers about the OIS and that he did not hear any St. Louis Park police officers or any assisting Law Enforcement officers speak about this OIS.

Sgt. Nadem stated that he cleared the incident scene at approximately 2:00am (1-20-2019) and returned to the St. Louis Park Police Department. Sgt. Nadem stated that he believed he completed his report for St. Louis Park Police Department case number 190000303 at this time.

Sgt. Nadem stated that he became aware that St. Louis Park police officers had previously been at the incident scene/address prior to the OIS for a "domestic call".

## **DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:**

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Sgt Nadem on 7-30-2019

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Statement of SERGEANT CR NADEM of the St. Louis Park Police Department, taken at 6:45 PM on 7/30/19. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Jackie Fallon typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Christofer Nybeck, Detective

CRN CR Nadem, Sergeant of the St. Louis Park Police Department

CLN Alright, today's date is July 30, 2019. It's approximately 6:45 in the evening. Detective Nybeck [coughing], excuse me. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. Ah, I am at the St. Louis Park Police Department in relation to Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303. And I'm here with, can I get your rank and full name please?

CRN Yep, Sergeant CR Nadem.

CLN And how long have you been a police officer for the St. Louis Park Police Department?

CRN Approximately 17 years.

CLN And had you worked for another department prior to St. Louis Park?

CRN No.

CLN Okay. Before I ask you any questions, um, I just want to [coughing], excuse me, let you know this is a voluntary and consensual interview related to St. Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303. Ahh, this case number is related to an OIS, officer-involved shooting, that occurred in the City of St. Louis Park on January 19, 2019 involving Officer Samuel Heffernan of the St. Louis Park Police Department. Ahh, additionally, before I ask you any questions, ah, I just want to make it clear that I have not threatened, coerced, or demanded that you take part in this interview. Is that correct?

CRN Correct.

CLN And your participation in this interview is voluntary and of your own choosing, correct?

CRN Yes.

CLN Okay. The purpose of this interview and subsequent accompanying report based upon this interview is to be, is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to the above-listed case number. Any questions so far?

CRN No.

CLN Okay. Ah, were you scheduled to work as a sergeant for the St. Louis Park Police Department on January 19, 2019?

CRN

They were St. Louis Park officers.

CRN Yes. CLN And what were your scheduled hours? CRN I, if I recall, it probably was from 6:30 pm to 6:30 am. At some point on the 19<sup>th</sup>, were you notified that there was an officer-involved CLN shooting in St. Louis Park? CRN Yes. CLN And who notified you? I heard it on the radio as I was getting dressed with, umm, Sgt. Belvin (sp?) being CRN near me. CLN Upon hearing that being aired over the radio, what did you do next? CRN Ahh, I told Sgt. Belvin to go to the scene immediately and that I would be there as soon as I just got dressed 'cuz we were in the locker room. CLN Okay, so once you became dressed and you had your uniform on, did you proceed to the crime scene which I believe was 2760 Louisiana Court? CRN Yes sir. CLN Upon arrival, what did you see and what did you do? CRN Immediately when I got there, umm, I started walking towards the building itself. At that point, I encountered umm, Officer Erickson walking with Officer Heffernan towards, towards my direction. CLN And was Officer Erickson acting as an escort or a care officer? CRN Yes. CLN Did you observe either officer speaking with each other? CRN No. CLN Did you speak with Officer Erickson, ahh, at any point that night while on scene? CRN No. CLN Okay. Ahh, did you enter the apartment building? CRN Yes. CLN Okay. Did you enter apartment #7? CRN Yes. That's the apartment that's involved. CLN Correct. CRN Yes. CLN Ahh, upon entry, what did you see? I walked just immediately into the entrance and, ahh, I wanted to make sure we had CRN officers securing the scene itself so, when I walked in, if I recall, there was just a living room. And I stopped right there, and, ahh, I, I think there might have been two officers, umm, securing the scene. CLN What do you recall, if they were St. Louis Park officers?

CLN Do you recall who they were?

CRN If, if I recall, I think it might have been, ahh, I might have come across Officer Peek and Pacholke might have been in the apartment. I may have not had direct contact with them. Like they may have said he was, you know, inside the apartment, somewhere in the apartment. I didn't go into the apartment itself, like fully.

CLN Okay, so you never went...

CRN No.

CLN ...all the way into the apartment?

CRN Yeah, I did not.

CLN Okay.

CRN I went immediately...I opened the door and the living room, I believe, is to your left. And I said, "who is here?" because I wanted to keep the integrity of the crime scene and, ah, I believe one of the officers...or I'm thinking Peek told me that Pacholke and I are here and I said, "alright, you guys are assigned to this scene. Don't allow anybody in and we're gonna secure it". And then that was it. And I ended up exiting.

CLN Did you have any conversations with Officers Peek and Pacholke regarding what had occurred...

CRN No.

CLN ...during the OIS at that time?

CRN No.

CLN Did you, when you exited the apartment #7, did you also exit the apartment complex?

CRN Not immediately.

CLN Okay. What did you do when you exited Apartment #7?

CRN I believe then I asked, umm, where was the victims, like who else was involved? If there was any witnesses. And I think I was identified to the victims or the suspect's, umm, girlfriend, who was in the apartment across, directly across.

CLN Who did you ask that question to and who directed you to the apartment across the hall?

CRN I, I, I don't know. I don't know.

CLN Okay. Nope, that's okay.

CRN I don't know. I don't know. It was probably one of the officers that were there and I just, like I said, the game plan right away was to, for Sgt. Belvin to get the resources in for me to, ahh, secure the crime scene and keep it preserved.

CLN Did you enter the apartment across the hall where the deceased's girlfriend was at? Or the girlfriend of the...

CRN Yes.

CLN ...deceased was at?

CRN Yes. Yes.

CLN And when you entered that apartment, who did you observe?

CRN So, umm, the neighbor who was a female tenant. Umm, the deceased's son and his girlfriend.

CLN Any law enforcement present inside the apartment at that time?

CRN I don't believe so.

CLN Okay.

CRN It would, it would, it would state in my report but I, I think I, I specifically then assigned, umm, Officer Smith to her.

CLN When you entered the apartment where the girlfriend of the deceased was at, did you communicate or speak with her at all?

CRN Yes.

CLN And what did, do you recall what you talked about with her?

CRN No, I just, I think I just asked who she was and maybe like how she was involved and then she clearly had questions about what had happened. How her boyfriend was doing. Is he still alive. And, ahh, I told her I didn't know because I didn't know what going on specifically at that situation at that time. Umm, and then just making her, you know, be at ease as best she could and calm her down as best as we could.

CLN Did she make any statements to you or anybody in general in the apartment at that time related to what had led up prior to the OIS?

CRN Not specifically that I recall.

CLN Okay. She didn't mention that, ahh, the deceased had attempted to enter her apartment or was in her apartment prior to the St. Louis Park officers arriving?

CRN No. She didn't say that but she made a statement in relation to him drinking like being intoxicated.

CLN Okay.

CRN Specifically even saying like, I think, something about him drinking Vodka or something. But I don't know if I stated in my report but she made a mention of like he, if he was intoxicated.

CLN Okay. Approximately how long were you inside the apartment with the girlfriend of the deceased?

CRN I was probably in and out. So, umm, I don't know, maybe, maybe five minutes. And, ahh, my main concern was to just, ahh, keep her calm and have somebody with her because I knew, you know...

CLN And you assigned Officer Smith to do that?

CRN Yes.

CLN And then did you exit that apartment at some point?

CRN Yes.

CLN What did you and where did you go?

CRN So I think, well at that point I was in and out so, umm, eventually I had gone outside and I, ahh, told Officer Boise to rope off the immediate area and at the same time I ended up, ahh, being asked to be, bring the COM van in. I said absolutely bring the COM van in. Umm, and there was, you know, Hennepin County Crime Lab had

shown up and, ahh, there was other agencies or really Hennepin County Crime Lab. Ahh, Minnetonka was there at one point, and ahh, which I had forgot to mention is when I first got there. Ahh, two of the officers, one being Tim Olson said "hey, we have to leave. We're getting calls. Do you need us?" At that point, I didn't know the capacity of what we were dealing with and I said yeah, that's fine. I think they may have walked up with me inside the building up to the door, and I just told them, yes you can clear. But I just wanted to make sure we had enough resources for the crime scene itself.

- CLN When you, ahh, directed Officer Boise set up crime lab, or crime scene...
- CRN Yep.
- CLN Umm, can you kind of just give me like a, was it the apartment building Apartment #7? The entire apartment or did it extend out from the apartment.
- CRN It, it extended out so I had him actually rope off, umm, the court itself. So the, what should lead to Louisiana Court, ahh, we had it kind of roped off that whole court area, just around the building itself. Like a, it's a larger area.
- Mm-hmm. Did it extend out to, 'cuz I know it's in a cul-de-sac on the north side, 2760. So you kind of a cul-de-sac here, the apartment is here, but then outside the cul-de-sac it's like a straight shot and then it's a hard south, right-hand turn. Did the crime scene tape kind of extend out to kind of where the straight line meets the cul-de-sac?
- CRN Yes. And it was just to the light poles.
- CLN Light poles.
- CRN We were attaching them to the light poles.
- CLN So once you, after you directed Officer Boise to do that, do you recall what you did next?
- Umm, just, just made sure that we had, umm, you know we, we preserved the crime scene itself. Made sure that, I believe I assigned...I assigned ahh Officer Foresman to keep log. And maybe Officer Peek was keeping log at one point. But, umm, that was established for keeping log so who was entering and exiting the unit itself which would be Unit 7. Umm, no. Other than going in, making sure just speaking to what was going on as far as the scene itself making sure we had enough people. Making sure all of the officers were okay 'cuz we needed, you know, people to come in because the people that were already at the crime scene were involved in some way. So it would be good to just get them out of the scene.
- CLN Did you at any point from the time you arrived to the time you departed, did you speak with any St. Louis Park officer or any officer ahh, specifically about what occurred during the OIS in Apartment #7?
- CRN No.
- CLN Did you hear any officers speak amongst themselves about what had occurred in Apartment #7 prior to the OIS?
- CRN No. I think, ahh, I think it was, if anything that occurred it was just kind of the general information of how the call came about. But not the specifics of what occurred at the time of the incident itself.
- CLN Okay. Approximately how long were you present at the crime scene?

CRN Probably until 2:00 o'clock in the morning.

CLN Okay. So were you one of the last officers to leave then?

CRN I may have been. I don't recall. I just know I was in the Command Van, or the COM van, umm, so I'm sure I probably stayed until the crime scene was taken down. I may have been. Or until we were released, relieved by Hennepin County.

CLN When you departed the crime scene, where did you go next?

CRN Probably back at police headquarters.

CLN And when you came back here do you recall or remember what you did or what you said or who you talked to?

CRN No, I think I just came back and, ahh, probably determined what needed to be done next. Which eventually, I was also the duty sergeant so, ahh, at some point I most likely wrote my report.

CLN Ahh, when you came back here did you speak to any officers about what had happened in Apartment #7 prior to the OIS? Once you, I mean,

CRN Yeah, I mean I'm sure I probably discussed, umm, or had a conversation if someone asked like what was going on prior to, maybe command staff or something and just kind of explaining what I had just know which was pretty limited. I didn't know too much. At that time I didn't even, I thought that the victim was actually transported to Hennepin County. 'Cuz in the radio communication transmission I heard that Hennepin County had arrived. So I thought he had actually been transported to the hospital.

CLN Okay. Ah, what was, what was kind of the [coughing] excuse me, sum of your knowledge regarding the specifics of what occurred in Apartment #7 prior to and during the OIS just that night?

CRN After the incident, just after that? State it again, sorry.

CLN Sure. That night, so the 19<sup>th</sup> and probably a little bit into the 20<sup>th</sup>, what was the sum of your extent of the knowledge that related to what had occurred inside Apartment #7 prior to the OIS and including the OIS. So basically I guess, in layman's terms...

CRN Yep. Yep.

CRN

CLN ...what did you know really happened that night?

Yeah. So basically some of that was of what occurred as I originally had walked in. That as I had walked in, umm, Sgt. Belvin was monitoring the radio. But I knew he wanted to go early 'cuz he had tickets to a Wild game. So I wanted, I may have shown up...I usually show up early but I was just kind of like hey, hurry up. Go to your game. And he was like hey, I'm just kind of monitoring this call. It's, you know, it's the second time these guys have been there. We were there originally on a domestic related incident. So I remember that and then as we ended up walking to the locker room, you know, we were just talking and he was monitoring and that's when it was like, umm, there was some transmission about the call itself. Like, subject may be running or something into the apartment unit. I don't know if it was already in there. And like it was broken up because I wasn't always next to him. But then the call itself of them saying that shots were fired.

CLN Okay.

So really the gist of what I knew was that they had been called out earlier and then, in CRN the day, or in the after, in the evening about a domestic incident involving the subject. The subject at some, I don't know if they, I think they attempted to locate him and they were unable to locate him and he might have been in another unit where they were not allowed in. Umm, and the girlfriend had called. So then they were called again the second time. And at some point he ended up in the original unit which was the Unit #7. And then I don't know what took place as far as, you know, them, you know, making entry or calling him to come to the door? I don't know what entailed.

Ahh, at what point did you learn the identities of the officers that were present for the CLN OIS?

Well I didn't know who, well when? It could have bene that night. Like who was CRN specifically in the apartment? Is that what you're saying or overall? 'Cuz I think it was, might have....

Just, just, just for the OIS though. Ahh, you know... CLN Who was specifically involved in the actual shooting? CRN

CLN Correct.

Umm, I think probably sometime in that night, during that night. I think I made a CRN conclusion of ... of who that was just because Officer Heffernan had a care officer and, ahh, none of the other officers had one. And he was immediately removed the scene.

Okay. Alright. I don't have any further questions. Do you have any questions for CLN me?

CRN I do not.

Okay. It is approximately 7:02. Interview with Officer, or sorry, Sgt. Nadem is CLN concluded.

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Eisel on 7-30-2019

Statement of Officer Brad Eisel, DOB: taken at 15:43 HOURS on July 30th, 2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Samantha Grates typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck

BE Officer Brad Eisel, Saint Louis Park Police Department

CLN Alright today's date July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 it's approximately 3:43 in the afternoon.

Detective Nybeck Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. Uh again I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department. In relation to Hennepin County case number 19000783 and Hennepin-, and Saint Louis Park case number 19000303. And I'm here with,

can I get your rank and full name please?

BF Um I'm a patrol officer. My names Brad Eisel. My badge number's 294.

CLN And Officer Eisel how long have you been employed by the Saint Louis Park Police

Department as a police officer?

It will be two years in September. BE

CLN Had you worked at a different department before joining the Saint Louis Park

Police Department?

BE Uh no.

Okay. Before I ask you any questions related to your involvement in the OIS for CLN

> case number 303. I just want to let you know that this interview that were going to do today it's voluntary and it's consensual. And it's in relation to a Saint Louis Park case number 19000303. This case number is related to an OIS that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19th, 2019 involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park Police Department. Um for again, before I ask any questions I just want to make it known that did I threaten you? Coerce you? Or demand that you

participate in this interview?

ΒE No.

CLN Is this interview your choice and underneath your own volition?

BE Yes.

CLN Okay. The purpose of this interview and subsequent accompanying rep-, and a

subsequent accompanying report based upon this interview. Is to provide

supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to this case number. Were you assigned to work on January

19<sup>th</sup>, 2019?

BE I was.

CLN Okay and what time did your shift start?

I believe 9 o' clock. BE

CLN And were you contacted by somebody from the Saint Louis Park Police Department before 9 o' clock?

BE I was.

CLN And by who? BE Officer Boise.

CLN And what did Officer Boise say to you when he contacted you?

BE That there was an officer involved shooting and that I needed to come in early.

CLN Did a, Officer Boise let you know that. Was he specific about what happened? Like

the officers anything specific related to the OIS?

BE He has not.

CLN Okay. Did you respond to the crime scene or did you respond to the police

department?

BE I came to the police department. I got dressed and then responded to the crime

scene.

CLN And then did somebody direct you to go to the crime scene while you were at the

police department?

BE I was told um, to report there once I was ready...

CLN ...and by...

BE ...to the crime scene.

CLN And by whom? BE Uh Officer Boise.

CLN And then did Officer Boise give any kind of directives about what to do once you

arrived on scene?

BE Meet with I believe Sergeant Nadem.

CLN Okay and then did you then in fact drive to the crime scene and speak with Offic-,

Sergeant Nadem?

BE I did.

CLN When you arrived at the crime scene and you spoke with Sergeant Nadem did he

give you directives of what to do?

BE He did.

CLN And what were they?

BE Uh to relieve Officer Smith from sitting with the girlfriend and the little boy.

CLN And Officer Smith, is that Officer Maurice Smith?

BE Yes.

CLN And where was Officer Smith and the female and her child?

BE He was in an apartment across from where the incident happened.

CLN . Do you recall the female's name at all?

BE I do not.

CLN BE	Does the name Mylee Workman sound familiar? Yes.
CLN BE	Okay. And familiar in that she could be the female that Officer Smith was with? Yes.
CLN BE	When you relieved Officer Smith did he speak to you at all? He just said that who the little child was, and the female was but nothing else.
CLN BE	Did he provide you any specifics or any details regarding the OIS that occurred earlier?  He did not.
CLN BE	Okay. Did you enter the apartment where the female and the child were at? Yes.
CLN BE	And how long were you in that apartment with those individuals? Approximately 10 to 20 minutes.
CLN	Wh-, was anybody else inside of that apartment besides yourself the female and her child?
BE	It was at least one other adult who's apartment it was. I do not recall her name.
CLN BE	It was a female though? Uh yes. There was another female yeah.
CLN BE	Okay so two females, a child, and yourself? Yes.
CLN	While you were in the apartment with those individuals. Did those individuals talk about what had occurred earlier that night in apartment number 7? Where the OIS took place.
BE	Um they did. But I don't recall exactly what there was no specifics uh that were said um to me at that point.
CLN	What was a, do you recall what the demeanor was of both adults and then the child?
BE	Um the female that owned the apartment she was trying to keep a, was it Mylee did you say?
CLN	Mylee Workman correct.
BE	Um her calm. Mylee kind of was up and down her emotions were um either kind of calm she would start crying or then she would get angry.
CLN . BE	While you were inside the apartment did Mylee make any phone calls? Um she may have made one to her mom.
CLN BE	Do you recall what that she said during this phone call? I don't.
CLN	Okay. And why did you leave that apartment with Mylee and her child?

BE	I was instructed by Officer Nadem to bring them back to the Saint Louis Park Police Department um to wait for investigators.
CLN BE	Did you give Mylee and her child a ride in your squad? I did.
CLN BE	And was it a, did you drive directly from the crime scene to the police department? I did.
CLN BE	While in route did Mylee make any statements or comments either about what had occurred earlier that night or comments and statements in general? Um not that I remember.
CLN	When you arrived back at the police department what did you do with Mylee and
BE	her child? Uh they went into our front um interview room at the PD and that's where we waited.
CLN BE	Did you wait with them? Uh yes. I had to leave the room for a few minutes a couple times but other than that I was in the room.
CLN	And while you were in the room did you, do you recall if Mylee made any statements or comments?
BE	Um not Mylee no. Um she was trying to keep her kid calm and um trying to think.  Like I said she just kind of had the same mood as she did in the apartment where she would be crying one time and then angry at the next minute. A it was kind of up and down roller coaster.
CLN	Okay. While you were in that front interview room with Mylee and her child did anybody else come into the room? Whether it was an officer or a chaplain or anybody that you can recall?
BE	I believe a chaptain responded um I do not remember his name. Um I was not focused on that. And then um I believe after you guys interviewed her um her mom came in as well.
CLN	Okay. While you were in that room with Mylee and whether somebody else came in being a detective or the mother the chaplain or anybody. Do you recall any conversations Mylee had with anybody that may have entered that room?
BE	Uh I remember Mylee's I believe it was um I guess it wasn't her mom it was his mom came in and they were kind of. His mom was somewhat discussing that she wasn't surprised that this had finally happened but didn't elaborate and I didn't ask any questions I just kind of uh sat there while they conversed.
CLN BE	And when she said that how, how did you interrupt what she said? Um I interrupted it as she figured this was gonna happen at some point due to his prior actions in life I guess.
CLN BE CLN	Now when you say this happened. Did you interrupt it as uh a negative encounter with law enforcement orI, I believea violent encounter?

BE	I believe a violent encounter.
CLN BE	Between her son and law enforcement? Yes.
CLN BE	And did she elaborate at all why she may have made this statement?  No she just kind of at first blamed um his probation officer. Um, but didn't give any details like that. And like I said I didn't ask any questions.
CLN	Let's just back up a quick bit here. When you were on the scene back at the crime scene. Besides Officer Nadem and whose and who's the, he's the one who directed you to come back to the PD? Yes.
CLN BE	Okay so besides Officer or Sergeant Nadem did you have any other conversations with Saint Louis Park Police Officers or any other law enforcement officers that might have been on scene?  I saw Officer Peek in passing but I did not speak with him. Um try and remember if I did. I do not recall. Um at that point.
CLN BE	So would it be accurate to say that you recall only speaking with Sergeant Nadem while at the crime scene for law enforcement? Um and Officer Maurice just on him explaining who the female and the little kid was.
CLN BE	Yep I'm sorry and Officer Smith correct? Yeah.
CLN BE	Approximately how long were you in the interview room with Mylee? I, it felt like hours. I, I don't know. I think it was at least an hour or two. Um but I do not know the exact time.
CLN BE	When and how, when how and why did you leave the interview room to end your shift? Or like who directed you that your assistance was needed elsewhere? Um the, the, a Hennepin County investigators came in um, they spoke with whoever for a while and then said that the, a female was free to go. So I did not watch her anymore. She sat in the lobby for a little bit longer and then I went back and helped with um perimeter.
CLN BE	Back at the crime scene? Yep.
CLN BE	And who directed you to do that? Um I believe Sergeant Nadem.
CLN BE	And when you went back to the crime scene for perimeter duty. What, what does that mean? I sat in my squad and made sure no one was coming into the, um scene. Cause we had a bigger perimeter than the whole apartment complex at that point.
CLN	When you came back and you were in your sq-, in your squad doing perimeter where was your squad parked?

BE	It was on the far western portion of the cul-de-sac.
CLN BE	So almost in front of the apartment? Yeah to the west/south yep.
CLN	Okay. Uh when you returned besides speaking with Sergeant Nadem did you speak with any other officer?
BE	Um not about the, I was informed that there was a food in the command van. Um and when I was relieving Officer Boise um we just were confused on what was going on. But nothing was, he didn't know what was going on. Nor did I so.
CLN	Okay did any officer whether we talked about them or not make any statements about what had occurred?
BE	No.
CLN	Nobody talked about who fired there service weapon or what occurred inside apartment number 7?
BE	Uh I believe I figured that out when I came into. When I came in because I saw officer Heffernan walking into the building when I was going to get changed.
CĹN BE	Okay so that, initially when you came in you saw Officer Heffernan come in? Yeah, yep.
CLN BE	Did somebody tell you that he was involved or did you make that inference? I made that inference.
CLN BE	And how, based upon what factors did you make that inference? Uh it's his district and it just kind of seemed by their demeanor walking past so.
CLN BE	Okay. I don't have any more questions for you. Do you have any for me? I do not.
CLN	Okay it's approximately 3:55 interview with Officer Eisel's completed.

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Title: Summary Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Eisel on 7-30-2019

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Eisel on 7-30-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

## OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer Eisel

## NARRATIVE:

On 7-30-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Officer Eisel at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Eisel's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Officer Eisel's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Eisel stated he was not assigned to work on 1-19-2019 but was called by Officer Boise and asked to come into work to assist with an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) that occurred in the City of St. Louis Park earlier that day involving St. Louis Park police officers.

Officer Eisel stated that he initially reported to the St. Louis Park Police Department but was directed by Officer Boise to report to the incident scene (2760 Louisiana Ct). Upon arrival at the incident scene Officer Eisel spoke with Sgt. Nadem who directed Officer Eisel to relieve Officer Maurice Smith who was presently watching Mylee Workman and her child. Officer Smith was involved in the OIS earlier that evening, Mylee Workman and her child were in the apartment directly across the hall from her apartment where the OIS had occurred and Workman was the significant other/child's mother of Matthew Tukhanen (deceased as a result of the OIS).

Officer Eisel stated that Workman was emotionally distraught while he watched her in this apartment. Officer Eisel stated that Workman alternated between being angry, frustrated and crying. Officer Eisel stated that Workman and the other adult in this apartment may have spoken about what had occurred in Workman's apartment preceding the OIS but he could not remember anything specific said between the two. The other female in the apartment was Jessica Stillday and she was the tenant of this apartment. Officer Eisel believes he was in Stillday's apartment with Workman for approximately twenty minutes and in that time period believes Workman may have called her mother or the mother of Tuhkanen. Officer Eisel stated he does not recall what was said during this possible phone call.

Officer Eisel stated that Sgt. Nadem directed him to transport Workman and her child back to the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Eisel stated that Workman did not make any comments to him as they drove back to the Police Department.

Upon arrival back at the Police Department Officer Eisel stated that Workman and her child were placed into the front interview room. Officer Eisel stated that he was present with Workman with the exception of having to leave the room on a few occasions. Officer Eisel stated that he believes Workman was offered the services of a chaplain while at the Police Department.

Officer Eisel stated that after Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Detectives interviewed Workman the mother (Vicky Evanov) of Tuhkanen arrived and entered the room with Workman. Officer Eisel stated that he overheard Evanov state to Workman something to the effect "she was not surprised this happened to him (Tuhkanen)". When asked how he (Officer Eisel) interpreted Evanov's statements Officer Eisel stated that he believed Evanov was refereeing to a violent encounter with Tuhkanen and Law Enforcement based upon his previous actions and that she (Evanov) blamed Tuhkanen's Probation Officer.

Officer Eisel stated that after Workman's interview with Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Detectives Workman was allowed to leave the Police Department.

Officer Eisel stated that he had no conversations with any St. Louis Park police officers or any Law Enforcement Officers that night regarding the OIS. Officer Eisel stated that he had only spoken to Sgt. Nadem and Officer Smith while at the incident scene. Officer Eisel stated that his conversations with Sgt. Nadem and Officer Smith did not involve any specifics regarding the OIS.

After Workman departed the Police Department Officer Eisel stated that he returned to the incident scene and maintained the incident scene perimeter while in his police squad at the direction of Sgt. Nadem.

# DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:

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# Title: Summary of Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Lt. Park on 7-30-2019

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Lt. Parker on 7-30-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

# OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Lt. Parker

## NARRATIVE:

On 7-30-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Lt. Parker at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Lt. Parker's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Lt. Parker's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

- Lt. Parker stated that he was informed about an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) in the City of St. Louis Park involving St. Louis Park police officers on 1-19-2019 by Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink. Lt. Parker stated he was directed to come into work and assist with the OIS.
- Lt. Parker stated that he was directed by Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink to establish and set up a crime scene perimeter in and around 2760 Louisiana Ct (incident scene location).
- Lt. Parker stated that upon his arrival at 2760 Louisiana Ct. he met with St. Louis Park Police Sergeants Balvin and Nadem at the incident scene. At this time Lt. Parker stated that he was provided a brief overview of the OIS by both sergeants to include the involved St. Louis Park police officers. Lt. Parker stated that he was informed that Officers Smith, Peek, Pacholke and Heffernan were involved in the OIS but was not given specific details about what each Officer did prior to or during the OIS.
- Lt. Parker stated that his main concern, after the safeties of the above listed Officers, were: was the incident scene contained and made safe, are all involved individuals accounted for and are all fired rounds accounted for?
- Lt. Parker stated that he coordinated with other Law Enforcement Agencies who were responding to assist the St. Louis Park Police Department that night. Lt. Parker stated that he coordinated in placing these responding Enforcement Officers in perimeter positions to assist with incident scene integrity.
- Lt. Parker stated that he did not go inside 2760 Louisiana Ct. #7, did not speak with any Law Enforcement Officers regarding any details of this OIS and did not overhear any Law Enforcement Officers talk about any details related to this OIS.

- Lt. Parker stated that he remained at the incident scene until approximately 11:00pm and then returned to the St. Louis Park Police Department. Lt. Parker stated that upon his return to the St. Louis Park Police Department all four police officers involved in this OIS had gone home for the night.
- Lt. Parker stated that he attended a St. Louis Park PD Command Staff meeting the following Monday (1-21-2019) regarding if all policies and procedures were followed in relation to this OIS.

# **DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:**

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Lt Parker on 7-30-2019

Statement of Lieutenant John Eric Parker, taken at 13:24 HOURS on 07/30/2019. Questioned by Detective Nybeck. Steno Nancy McLaughlin typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck

JEP Lieutenant John Eric Parker

CLN Alright. Today's date is July 30, 2019. It is approximately 1:24 in the afternoon. Ah...Detective Nybeck, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. I'm at the St. Louis Park Police Department in relation to Hennepin County case number 19000783, and St. Louis Park Police Department's case number 19000303. I'm here

19000783, and St. Louis Park Police Department's case number 19000303. I'm here

with....can I get your rank and your full name, please?

JEP Lieutenant John Eric Parker.

CLN And Lieutenant Parker, how long have you been in law enforcement?

JEP 28 years.

CLN At...all with the St. Louis Park Police Department? Or, did you come from

somewhere?

JEP I worked part-time deputy down at Olmsted County Sheriff's Department for about a

year.

CLN Okay. So, the vast majority...

JEP ....total....

CLN ... of the time...

JEP ...about 29 years, yes.

CLN Okay. The vast of the time you've been here?

JEP Yes.

Okay. Ah...just to let you know, this is a voluntary consensual interview related to St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This case number is related to an OIS – Officer Involved Shooting – that occurred in the city of St. Louis Park on January 19, 2019, involving Officer Heffernan of the St. Louis Park Police Department. Ah...

before we start the interview, is it correct that I did not threaten, coerce, or demand

this interview?

JEP Yes. That's correct.

CLN And...are you willing to speak with me?

JEP Yes.

CLN Okay. Ah...the purpose of this interview, and subsequent accompanying report for

this interview, ah....is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to the above-listed case number. Ah...basically I'm just....we're talking because we just want to add a couple more things to your original report.

JEP Sure.

CLN Does that make sense?

JEP Yes.

CLN Okay. On...ah...January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019, were you scheduled to work that day?

JEP No

CLN Okay. Um...were you notified about an officer involved shooting regarding Officer Heffernan?

JEP Yes.

CLN And who notified you about that?

JEP Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink.

CLN And did he...after he notified you about what occurred...or specific...before we go that far....did...what did he specifically say to you?

JEP He just...ah...informed me that a... that there was a officer involved shooting at Louisiana Court, and that I should start on my way into work.

CLN Okay. Did you proceed to the scene on Louisiana Court, or the police department?

JEP I initially started here, and then Deputy Chief gave me another call....Kraayenbrink...
he gave me another call and asked me to go to the scene to...ah...set up perimeter.

CLN And was that his....was that his directive, to set up a perimeter?

JEP Yes.

CLN Okay. Um....to....what do you mean by set up a perimeter?

JEP Security around the....the incident or the crime scene.

CLN Okay. Ah....would it be fair to stay to make sure nobody comes in and out that should not be coming in and out of that crime scene?

JEP That's correct.

CLN Okay. So when you arrived at the scene, kind of walk me through how you set up that perimeter. Did you use crime scene tape? If you did, what...how...kind of how did you create your perimeter?

JEP Um...by...when I got there, I met with...ah...Sergeant Balvin and Sergeant Nadem, and they gave me a qui....qui....brief overview of what had occurred in...in the building.

CLN And...and...and what did they say to you?

JEP They said 2760 Louisiana Court.

CLN Correct.

JEP And...ah...they just said that we had a officer involved shooting, and of course, my concern was that the place....the ....the crime scene was contained. I had been informed that Hennepin County....um...Crime Lab had been contacted, and....and a

couple investigators/detectives were already there. So...ah...uh...they informed me that the officers that were involved were already back here at the police department.

CLN Did they...

JEP [inaudible 03:41]...

CLN I'm sorry. Did they tell you who the officers were?

JEP Um...yes. Some of those officers...I'm not sure if I have that entire list...but I could tell you...um...some that they told me.

CLN Sure.

JEP Um...Maurice S....Smith; uh....Troy Peek; Anthony Pacholke, and Sam Heffernan.

CLN Did they say any...did they provide any specifics about...ah...anything that occurred inside that apartment? Like....5m....like maybe who had fired their weapon, or who had given orders. Anything along those lines?

No. They did say that...ah..the suspect had....um...had been shot, and my....my concern was...was there rounds that were...that may have gone through the wall. First, I asked if it was contained. And it was contained in that particular apartment, in the back bedroom. And I asked if everybody involved in the incident... any other suspects, or any...anybody we needed to ....ah....look for? And no, it was contained. I asked if any rounds had exited out of the apartment. And there was...is there anything we need to sweep or check for? And the answer was "no" as well. So, this brief was from Ser...ah...Sergeant Balvin. And then...ah....said the command post was en route, and as soon as it arrived we started...ah...a directed... um...an officer to string....ah... police tape around the apartment building, and we had assisting agencies...I believe ...ah...Edina, Hopkins, Minnetonka...ah, just start settin....setting them up a....a perimeter or post security for the crime scene.

CLN Okay. Um...approximately how long were you at the crime scene?

JEP Well, I did review my report and I....I put in there that I was at....um....cleared the crime scene at 11 something, and actually, I think it meant 2300 of I...if I remember...

CLN ...okay....

JEP .....right. But...um.....I was probably there for five hours or so.

CLN. Okay.

JEP I don't' know the specific time. I'd have to look back at the report.

CLN Ah....do you recall [cough], excuse me, approximately at what time you got there then?

JEP I don't right off the top of my head.

Okay. Ah...besides getting that initial brief from Sergeant Balvin and Sergeant Nadem, and directing people to kind of create the perimeter with the crime...crime scene tape, do you recall....did you do anything there that would be pertinent to....um...this interview?

JEP No. I just went into the entryway of the apartment building. I never went into the apartment in question, and I didn't have any further questions or a conversation about who was involved in...in the shooting, and...except for the officers that were present.

CLN	Ahdid anyahdo you recall any officer making any statements in regarding what happened that night?
JEP	No.
CLN JEP	Okay. Umthey were already onupwhen I got there, I never saw them. They were on their way back here.
CLN JEP	Okay. But, anyany officers that were still there, you know, sometimes officers repeat things that they heard from somebody else, who heard something from somebody else. Do you recall hearing any statements made by any officers? No.
CLN	Okay. Umafter you left the crime scene, did you go home, or did you come back to the police department?  Came back to the police department.
CLN JEP	Okay. When you came back here, what did you do? II pulled up my email. I asked if there's any additional informaerany additional duties that needed to be done, and kind of stayed around in case I was needed.
CLN JEP	Okay. Ahwhen you came back here, were the four officers and CSO involved still here at the time? No, they were not.
CLN	Umdid you haveatat whatat any point, did you have a more in depth briefing about what had occurred there? Whether it was the follthe following day it would have been, I think, Sunday. So, the following week at all? Was there aa meeting with command staff that kind of?  There was. I want to say Monday. There was a meeting with command staff, but it
	was more aboutumprocedures and reviewing our officer involvedour critical incident policy, and making sure we're following our policy that whatever needed to be done werewere donewere done.
CLN JEP	Okay. I don't have any more questions. Do you have any for me that I can answer? Nope.
CLN	You don't? Okay. Ahit's approximately 1:32. Interview with Lieutenant Parker is concluded.

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Summary of Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink on 7-30-2019

Christofer Nybeck

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

# SYNOPSIS:

This report is a summary of the report titled Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink on 7-30-2019. For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

# **OFFICERS INVOLVED:**

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink

#### NARRATIVE

On 7-30-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink stated that he was informed of a OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) in the City of St. Louis Park on 1-19-2019 by Sgt. Balvin of the St. Louis Park PD "around dinner time" on this date. Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink stated that he was not provided specific details regarding the OIS at this time by Sgt. Balvin. Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink stated that he contacted the command staff for the St. Louis Park PD regarding this OIS and proceeded to the St. Louis Park PD.

Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink stated that at some point that evening he was informed that Officers Heffernan, Peek, Smith and Pacholke were the police officers involved in this OIS, along with CSO Goeder (Community Service Officer) but he could not remember who informed him of this.

Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink stated that each police officer, and CSO, involved was provided a "care officer" when each was transported back to the St. Louis Park PD from 2760 Louisiana Ct. Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink stated that a "care officer" is to stay with their assigned police officer or CSO until otherwise directed. Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink stated that a "care officer" will tend to the needs (food, chaplain, family notification, etc) of their assigned police officer or CSO until otherwise directed.

Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink stated that he did not have any conversations with any of the four above listed police officers or CSO regarding what had occurred at 2760 Louisiana Ct. #7 during the OIS earlier that night.

#### **DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:**

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Deputy Chief Kraaysbrink on 7-30-2019

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Statement of Deputy Chief Chad Lawrence Kraayenbrink, taken at 13:12 HOURS on 07/30/2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Anna Villani typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck

CLK Deputy Chief Chad Lawrence Kraayenbrink

CLN Alright today's date is July 30, 2019 and it is approximately 1:12 in the afternoon. Detective Nybeck, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department in relation to Hennepin County case number 19000783 and I'm here with, can I get your full rank and name please?

CLK Chad Lawrence Kraayenbrink K-R-A-A-Y-E-N-B-R-I-N-K, I'm the Deputy Chief.

CLN Oh, and how long have you been on law enforcement for?

CLK Over 33 years.

CLN And all that at Saint Louis Park?

CLK Yes.

CLN Okay. Ahhh, this is a, just to let you know, this is a voluntary consensual interview related to Saint Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This case number is related to an OIS that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park Police Department. Umm, and I just, since this is a voluntary interview, is it correct that I did not threaten, coherce or demand that you speak with me?

CLK Yes, that's correct.

CLN Correct...

CLK ...you did not.

CLN I did not. Okay. Ahhh, the purpose of this interview and subsequent accompanying report for this interview, umm, is based upon, or the report for this interview ahhh, is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to this above case number. Ahhh, any questions so far?

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Okay, on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2019, ahhh, were you advised of an OIS or critical incident in the city of Saint Louis Park?

CLK Yes.

CLN And approximately what time and by who?

CLK I don't recall exactly the time but it must have been around dinner time, evening hours because I was out to eat with my family. I was the watch commander, the duty sergeant's first call is to the watch commander. So Sergeant Balvin ahhh, notified me.

CLN	And what did he say to you?  He said that ahhh, he just got word that there was an Officer Involved Shooting and he was on his way to the scene.
CLN CLK CLN CLK	Did he tell you who was involved at this timenoor what the scene was? None.
CLN	Okay, ahhh, so after you received this call what did you do next? I notified the rest of the command staff that I would be in route to the police department for an Officer Involved Shooting.
CLN	Ahhh, upon arrival at the police department here, did somebody give you more indebted briefing with more specifics? No.
CLK	Okay. Umm, at what time or and by who, ahhh, gave you a more indebted briefing about what occurred?  At, at the time ahhh, I was in the station ahhh, Sergeant Balvin was still on scene, Lieutenant Parker responded to the scene. I also sent Lieutenant Garland to the scene ahhh, to handle things at the scene. And then, ahhh, the officers that were involved were assigned care officers by ahhh, either the Sergeant or the Command staff that was present there. Those officers came back to the police department and then at that point I knew Officer Heffernan was ahhh, involved.
CLN CLK	And do you remember who notified you about Officer Heffernan? I do not.
CLN	Okay. Umm, and then real quick, what does care officer mean? So when there's a critical incident, ahhh, as soon as we can, we will, an officer that's involved in a critical incident and or officers, we assign care officers. So, a buddy officer would be a care officer. So that officers jobs is to just make sure that ahhh, officers stay separated until their able to be interviewed by ahhh, investigators that are responsible for investigating umm, the incident. Umm, basically that, any, attend to any of their needs.
CLN	Now did these care officers, do they also stay with ahhh, the officer their assigned to if ahhh, they require Union representative or anything like that? Or do they separate themselves to create privacy with the Union rep or a lawyer? I don't know what happened in this case, but ahhh, I, I don't see any reason why
CLK	the care officer would be involved with an involved officer that's speaking to counsel.
CLN	Once umm, do you know, do you recall which officers were brought back or who was involved in the critical incident? I can give you a guess. Officer Heffernan ahhh, because he was assigned to the front office area up here, was his care officer and then eventually ahhh, one of the chaplain's ahhh, met with him. Ahhh, Officer Peek, ahhh, we assigned, I'm not sure who his care officer was, but he had a, a he was separated, he had an office. Officer Pacholke, Officer Smith and I believe CSO Gorder. And I think that may have been it. I, I don't know if I missed anybody.
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CLN	Nope that would be, that would be accurate. Ahhh, at any point once those four officers, excuse me, four officers and CSO returned to the PD, did you speak to any of them about what occurred at 2760 Louisiana Court?
CLK	No.
CLN	Okay. Umm, at any point did you go to the critical incident at 2760 Louisiana Court that night?
CLK	No.
CLN	Okay. Umm, do you recall when you were given an in-depth briefing or more specific briefing about what had occurred there?
CLK	Never was given a briefing by anyone including your staff.
CLN CLK	Okay. Okay, I don't have any other questions but do you have any for me? None.
CLN	Okay. Ahhh, it's approximately 1:18 interview with Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink is concluded.
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Title: Summary Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer London on 8-1-2019

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer London on 8-1-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

# OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer London

# NARRATIVE:

On 8-1-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Officer London at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer London's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Officer London's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer London stated he was not scheduled to work on 1-19-2019 but received a phone call from a St. Louis Park police officer about coming into work that night to assist with an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting). Officer London stated he initially inferred that the OIS involved unknown St. Louis Park police officers based upon receiving a phone call on his normal day off.

Officer London stated that upon his arrival at the St. Louis Park Police Department be met and spoke with Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink who informed him that an OIS had occurred in the City of St. Louis Park that night and that he (Officer London) was to proceed to the incident address and get directives from Lt. Parker and Sgt. Balvin. Officer London stated that he did not receive further directives or details regarding the OIS at this time from Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink.

Officer London stated that upon his arrival at the incident scene (2760 Louisiana Ct.) he was directed to relieve the Golden Valley police officer who was manning the rear perimeter (north side) of the incident scene. Officer London stated that his perimeter duties were to not allow anyone in or out of the incident scene who did not have permission and purpose to be there.

Officer London stated that he did not have any conversations related to this OIS with any Law Enforcement Officers that night while assisting in this OIS. Officer London stated that he became aware of which St. Louis Park police officers were present for this OIS based upon reviewing his police vehicle's squad computer. Officer London stated that he was made aware that Officers Heffernan, Peek, Pacholke and Smith were involved in this OIS via his police squad computer.

Officer London stated that he was present for his perimeter duties for approximately 4-5hrs that night.

Officer London stated that upon the relief of his duties he returned to the St. Louis Park Police Department

and finished out the remainder of this shift taking other calls of service in St. Louis Park.

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Officer London on 8-1-2019

Statement of Officer Bruce Conrad London, taken at 17:03 HOURS on 08/01/2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Anna Villani typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck BCL Officer Bruce Conrad London

CLN Today's date August 1<sup>st</sup> 2019, it's approximately 5:03 in the evening. Detective Nybeck Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department in Saint Louis Park, Minnesota in relation to Hennepin County case 19000783 and Saint Louis Park Police Department case number 190000303. Can I get your rank and your full name please?

Ahhh, my current rank is Patrol Officer.

CLN And full name please?
BCL Bruce Conrad London.

CLN Okay. Before I start with any questions, ahhh, I just want to let you know this is a voluntary consensual interview related to Saint Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303. This case number is related to an OIS that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19<sup>th</sup> of this year involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park Police Department. Additionally, ahhh, is it correct that I have not threatened, coerced or demanded that you speak to me for this interview?

BCL Yes, correct.

Okay. Ahhh, to let you know the purpose of this interview and subsequent accompanying report, based upon this interview is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to the above listed case number. Do you have any questions?

BCL Nope.

CLN Okay. Were you assigned to work on January 19<sup>th</sup>?

BCL I was not.

CLN Okay. Did you come into work that day?

BCL | did.

CLN And, excuse me, why did you come into work?

BCL I received a phone call.

CLN From?

BCL I don't recall.

CLN Okay. Ahhh, can you elaborate just a little bit about ahhh, the phone call. Did it

BCL	explain why they wanted you to come into work? Ahhh, I received a phone call umm, that there was an Officer Involved Shooting. And I came straight to work to help to work the perimeter.
CLN	Ahhh, was it, were you informed that it was ahhh OIS in Saint Louis Park involving
BCL	a Saint Louis Park officer? I just interpreted that it came from a partner that, it was in our city.
CLN BCL	Okay. Ahhh, when you came in, did you come to the scene first? I came to the police station.
CLN	Okay. Ahhh, were you briefed or notified further about what had occurred in Saint Louis Park that night when you came to the police department?
BCL	Yes.
CLN BCL	Ahhh, do you remember by who? The first person I saw was Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink, umm, and he advised me to go to the scene and take my umm, directions from there.
CLN BCL	Okay. Did he explain a little bit further why you were going to this incident scene? Just that there was an Officer Involved Shooting.
CLN	Okay, did he provide any names of officers involved or specifics regarding the OIS at this time?
BCL	I don't believe so.
CLN BCL	Okay. When you arrived at the scene, do you recall the address that you went to? Yup.
CLN BCL	And what was that? 2760 Louisiana Court.
CLN BCL	When you arrived, who did you speak to initially? Ahhh, Lieutenant Parker and ahhh, Sergeant Balvin.
CLN	And then did they assign you ahhh, some kind of position or some way to assist in
BCL	what was going on that night? Yes.
CLN BCL	And what did they request that you do?  Ahhh, there was a Golden Valley ahhh, police officer parked on the north side of the building in the parking lot, and I was to relieve him.
CLN	Okay, and what were your kind of general duties when you were parked on the
BCL	north side of the apartment building?  Just sit in my squad car, facing the building and maintain the perimeter.
CLN BCL	Okay. And by maintain the perimeter, what does that mean to you? Ahhh, don't let ahhh, anybody inside the perimeter umm, that's not an officer.
CLN	Okay. Umm, did you have to stop anybody from going in or out of that apartment building?

BCL	Nope.
CLN	And that apartment building that you were on the north side of, do you, was that the 2760 building? Yes.
CLN	Did you have a chance to speak with any Saint Louis Park police officers or any assisting law enforce, enforcement officer that night regarding what happened at that apartment?
BCL	The only people I spoke to were the people that came in and that's, that's it.
BCL	Okay. Do you recall were they Saint, were they Saint Louis Park officers or were they Sheriff's office employees? I saw Sheriff's deputies but I never spoke to any of them, the rest were Saint Louis Park officers.
CLN BCL	Did you speak to the Saint Louis Park officers regarding the OIS? Ahhh, no specifics just what we were doing.
CLN	Okay. Did any officers, you may not have talked to them, but they may have talked to you, did they tell you what happened, who was involved, kind of the order of what happened during the OIS?  Yeah, I, I learned what was involved when I came in umm, I was assigned to the
	call, umm and I saw what could ahhh, had happened.
CLN BCL	So on youron my computer screen.
CLN BCL	What did your computer screen tell you? Umm, just the officers that were on the call, umm and I put two and two together that they were no longer there. Umm, and that's all I knew.
CLN	And do you recall the names of the officers that you saw on your squad computer and who were they?
BCL	Umm, Officer Heffernan, Smith, ahhh, Pacholke, umm that's all I can remember right now.
CLN BCL	In on your squad computer, would it tell you just, did it tell you anything about that call, anything specific like who may have fired their weapon or what they did prior to that OIS?  No.
CLN BCL	Okay. Ahhh, so the only thing you saw MBT was kind of what? The call notes, just ahhh, what dispatch had aired what they were there for. Umm
	and then just different transmissions coming in from officers.
CLN	So ahhh by reviewing your squad computer, was there anything specific about what occurred prior to or during the OIS in that apartment that night?  No.
CLN	Okay. Approximately how long were you in your squad watching the north side of
	that apartment that night?

	BCL	At least four to five hours.
	CLN BCL	And at some point, were you relieved of your duty at that location? Yes.
	CLN BCL	By whom? I don't remember.
	CLN BCL	Okay, ahhh, when you were relieved, what did you do next? Umm, we didn't have ahhh, anybody assigned to work in the road, umm, when there was a priority calls that came out, umm, I got relieved, I don't remember by who but I was umm, directed to go take those calls.
	CLN BCL	Okay so you went back to covering the road? Yup.
	CLN BCL	Ahhh, just to make sure, at any point while you were either at the PD or the incidence scene did you have any conversations with any officers whether they were Saint Louis Park police officers or assisting law enforcement officers regarding specifics or details that were pertinent prior to the OIS or during the OIS or anything you heard after the OIS related to the OIS? Does that make sense? Yeah. No I did not have any contact or conversation about that.
Į.	CLN BCL	Okay. Do you have any questions for me? No.
	CLN	Okay, it's approximately 5:10 in the evening, ahhh, interview with Officer London is concluded.

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Title: Summary Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Lt. Parker on 7-30-2019.

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Ford on 7-30-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

# OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer Ford

## NARRATIVE:

On 7-30-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Officer Ford at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Ford's interview on this date is her initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Officer Ford's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Ford stated that she was not assigned to work on 1-19-2019 but stated that she received multiple calls of inquiry from residents that participate in Perspectives (program and transitional housing for women who are the victim's of domestic violence) who live around the incident address (2760 Louisiana Ct) about what was happening that night. Officer Ford stated that after receiving these calls of inquiry she called Officer Boise of the St. Louis Park Police Department and inquired about what had occurred at the above listed address.

Officer Ford stated that Officer Boise informed her that he could not provide her any specifics about what had occured but Sgt. Lewis of the St. Louis Park Police Department would call her shortly. Officer Ford stated she received a call from Sgt. Lewis and that he requested her assistance in an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) that had occurred in the City of St. Louis Park earlier that day involving St. Louis Park police officers. Officer Ford stated she was not provided specific details regarding the OIS.

Officer Ford stated that she initially went to the St. Louis Park Police Department and was then directed to go to the incident scene by an unknown supervisor. Officer Ford stated that while at the Police Department she was not told any details about the OIS.

Upon arrival at the incident scene she spoke with Lt. Parker and Sgt. Balvin of the St. Louis Park Police Department for directives and instructions. Officer Ford stated she was directed to park her police vehicle near apartment 2753 Louisiana Ct which is at the "mouth" of the cul de sac and across the street from the incident address. Officer Ford stated that her duties were to maintain incident scene security and integrity. Officer Ford stated that she parked her police vehicle next to Officer Boise and his police vehicle. Officer Ford stated that she did not speak to Officer Boise regarding the OIS and that she did not speak to Lt. Parker and Sgt. Balvin regarding the OIS.

Officer Ford stated that at some point she was notified by a supervisor that she could terminate her duties at the incident scene. At this time Officer Ford stated that she returned to the Police Department and then returned home.

Officer Ford stated that at no time did she speak with any St. Louis Park Police Officer/Supervisor or any Law Enforcement Officer regarding the OIS.

# DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Ford on 7-30-2019

Nybeck

Statement of Officer Shantee Lee Boltman Ford, taken at 1610 HOURS on 07/30/2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Anna Villani typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

**Detective Christofer Nybeck** CLN

SLBF Officer Shantee Lee Boltman Ford

CLN Alright, today's date is July 30<sup>th</sup> 2019 and it's approximately 4:10 in the afternoon. Detective Nybeck, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department ahhh, in relation to Hennepin County case 19000783 and Saint Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303. And I am here with, can I

get your rank and your full name please?

Yeah, I'm a patrol officer, and my full name is Shantee Lee Boltman Ford. **SLBF** 

CLN And are you currently a licensed peace officer for Saint Louis Park Police

Department?

SLBF Yes.

And how long have you been a licensed police officer? CLN

SLBF About six years.

CLN And prior to Saint Louis Park had you worked anywhere else?

SLBF Nope.

CLN Okay. Before I ask any questions, I'm just, I just want to let you know that this is a voluntary consensual interview related to the Saint Louis Park PD case number 190000303. This case number is related to an OIS Officer Involved Shooting that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19th 2019, involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park Police Department, And again, another thing I want to ask is, I have not threatened you, coerced you, or demanded that you

provide this statement, correct?

SLBF Correct, you have not.

CLN This statement is your choice, your volition to make, correct?

SLBF Correct.

CLN Okay, ahhh, the purpose of this interview and the subsequent accompanying report, based upon this interview, is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to this, to the above listed case number. So we're just trying to, in your case, you didn't write a

supplemental, so this will kind of serve as you're supplemental.

**SLBF** Okay.

Umm, this report is going to be transcribed, and then that transcription is going to CLN

generate a summary report, both of those will be put together and then put into the,

SLBF	the main case file for this case. Okay.
CLN SLBF	Does that make sense? Yes.
CLN SLBF	Okay. On January 19 <sup>th</sup> of this year, were you assigned to work as a police officer for Saint Louis Park? No.
CLN SLBF	Okay, ahhh, were you made aware at some point on this date, that an Officer Involved Shooting had occurred in Saint Louis Park? Yes.
CLN SLBF	And who informed you of that? Umm, Officer Erickson.
CLN SLBF	Did he call you and inform you? No.
CLN SLBF	And how, though how did he inform you then? I asked him what was going on in the city.
CLN SLBF	Okay and then did you think something was going on in the city? Yes.
CLN SLBF	Based upon? Ahhh, residence were contacting me.
CLN SLBF	Residence, excuse me, in and around 2760 Louisiana Court? Yes.
CLN SLBF	Now I know that that areas kind of, it's for, it's like a, a battered women's shelter? Yeah.
CLN SLBF	Or, or women in transition? Yes.
CLN SLBF	Okay and ahhh, prior to the 19 <sup>th</sup> do you kind of liaison with that community? Yes.
CLN SLBF	So they know who you are? Yes.
CLN SLBF	And they have your phone number? Yes.
CLN SLBF	And were they the ones that contacted you, because they had questions about what had occurred at 2760 Louisiana Court? Yes.

CLN SLBF	Okay. So then you were the one that reached out to Officer Ericson? Yes.
CLN SLBF	Okay and what did he inform you?  He said that he couldn't tell me what happened but a sergeant may be getting in contact with me.
CLN SLBF	And did a sergeant get in contact with you? Yes.
CLN SLBF	Which sergeant? Sergeant Lewis.
CLN SLBF	And did he call you? Yes.
CLN SLBF	And what did he say when he called? He asked if I was available to come in, ahhh, because there's an Officer Involved Shooting.
CLN SLBF	And did you come in? Yes.
CLN	Did you go directly to the crime scene at that address or did you come back to the police department first?
SLBF	I came to the police department first.
CLN SLBF	Change out, grab your gear? Yes.
CLN SLBF	Grab a squad? Yes.
CLN	And then did anybody at the department, when you were changing into your
SLBF	uniform, tell you what was going on? No.
CLN	Did anybody here give you directions about what should be doing after your, you
SLBF	change and grab your squad? Yes.
CLN SLBF	Do you recall who that was? I do not recall who told me what to do.
CLN SLBF	Did you recall, do you recall what they told you to do? Yes, they said to go to the crime scene, and then we have a command vehicle there and to make contact with either Lieutenant Parker or Sergeant Balvin to see what they want me to do.
CLN SLBF	Okay and then did you do that? Yes.

CLN SLBF	When you arrived at the crime scene, you met with Lieutenant Parker and Sergeant Balvin, correct? I believe so.
CLN SLBF	Do you, did they give you directions of what to do? Yes.
CLN SLBF	And what were they? Ahhh, to park my squad car by the 2753 building and don't allow any people, anybody in that's not umm, a police officer.
CLN SLBF	So were, were you assisting with the, the crime scene parameter? Yes.
CLN SLBF	And where is that address in relation to the 2760 building? So that is going to be umm, southeast of that building.
CLN SLBF	Okay. So you're familiar with the area, 2760 is in a cul-de-sac on the north side. Um-hum, yes.
CLN SLBF	Ahhh, but there's kind of a neck to the cul-de-sac that leads to a straight row and, and then it goes to the right, if you're leaving. Yes.
CLN SLBF	Umm, was your squad kind of positioned at the neck of that cul-de-sac? Yes.
CLN SLBF	So you got the circle, then you got the straight line, your car was kind of where the two meet? Um-hum, yes.
CLN SLBF	And you were in your squad car then? Yes.
CLN SLBF	And what was the purpose of creating a perimeter like, kind of like, what was your job duty description? To not let anybody in, beside, by that time the media was starting to show up, so don't let anybody that's not a police officer into that area.
CLN SLBF	Ahhh, you wanted to preserve the crime scene from, any kind of contamination? Yes.
CLN	Okay. Ahhh, were you working with any other officer in that perimeter ahhh, close by, was there another officer close by, whether it was a Saint Louis Park officer or assisting agency officer, were they helping you with the perimeter? Yes.
CLN SLBF	And who was that? Robert Boise.
CLN	Okay, ahhh, did you and Robert Boise talk at all about what had occurred in the 2760 building?

SLBF	No.
CLN SLBF	Did, just to back track a little bit, did Lieutenant Parker or Sergeant Balvin provide you any specific details about what had occurred in that building? No.
CLN SLBF	Approximately how long do you think you were on perimeter? I would say a couple hours. Two to three possibly.
CLN SLBF	Okay, do you recall what time you, you arrived? No.
CLN	Okay. Ahhh, do you recall what time you were told that you could break down the perimeter and, and leave? No.
CLN	Do you recall who informed you that you could leave your duty post and go and come back to the PD to end your shift?  No.
CLN SLBF	Was it a Saint Louis Park officer, ahhh Sheriff's Department personnel, ahhh another law enforcement agency? I believe it was my own agency, ahhh, Lieutenant or Sergeant Balvin.
CLN	Okay. So once they told you that you could break down the perimeter and, and, for a lack of a better words, go home, what did you do? I came back to the police department, changed and went home.
CLN	When you came back to the police department, did you talk to any officer, whether it was a supervisor or a line officer about what had occurred in the 2760?  No.
CLN SLBF	Did you go home that night? Yes.
CLN	Okay. Did you later learn or speak with any other officers about what had occurred inside 2760? No.
CLN SLBF	Ahhh, did you write a report? No. I did not.
CLN SLBF	Okay. So this interview here is your part about what you'd done that night. Yes.
CLN SLBF	Okay. I don't have any more questions for you, do you have any for me?
CLN	Okay, it's approximately 4:17 interview with Officer Ford has concluded.

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Nybeck

Title: Summary Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park CSO Pham on 8-5-2019

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park CSO Pham on 8-5-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

## **OFFICERS INVOLVED:**

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: CSO Pham

## NARRATIVE:

On 8-5-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary phone interview of St. Louis Park Police CSO Pham at the St. Louis Park Police Department. CSO Pham's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of CSO Pham's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Pham stated that he currently works for the Metro Transit Police Department as a police officer but previously worked for the St. Louis Park Police Department as a CSO (Community Service Officer). Officer Pham stated that he worked as a CSO for the St. Louis Park Police Department for a little under one year but in that time period he was a CSO on 1-19-2019.

Officer Pham stated that he was assigned to work on 1-19-2019 as a CSO for the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Pham stated that he was directed by an unknown police officer of the St. Louis Park Police Department to respond to an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) in St. Louis Park that night to assist as needed.

Officer Pham stated that upon his arrival to the incident address (2760 Louisiana Ct.) he was directed by Sgt. Nadem to set up crime scene tape around the incident address and to assist with perimeter duties. Officer Pham stated that the purpose of the crime scene tape and perimeter duty are to maintain the incident scene integrity and to only allow individuals with permission and purpose to enter the incident scene.

Officer Pham stated he is unsure of how long he assisted in this OIS. Officer Pham stated that he did not have any conversations with Law Enforcement Officers related to any specifics for this OIS.

#### **DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:**

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park CSO Pham on 8-5-2019

Statement of CSO Liam Pham, DOB: , taken at 08:25 HOURS on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Samantha Grates typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck

CSO Liam Pham, Saint Louis Park Police Department LP

LP [inaudible background noise 00:34] Hello?

CLN Pham?

LP [inaudible 00:39]

Officer Pham. Detective Nybeck Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. Ahh do you got CLN

maybe two three minutes to talk to me real quick here?

LP Yes I do.

Okay. Uh before I start I just got to let you know. Detective Nybeck Hennepin County CLN Sheriff's Office. Its August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 it's approximately 8:25 in the morning. Uh I'm calling you in regards to Hennepin County case number 19000783. And Saint Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303. Uh Hennepin County or excuse me Saint Louis Park case number a 19000303 is related to an OIS. Officer involved shooting that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19th, 2019 involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park Police Department. Ahh before I ask any questions is it correct that I have not threatened, coerced, or demanded that you take part in this interview with me today?

LP Correct.

CLN Okay. Uh just to let you know the purpose of this interview and subsequent accompanying report based upon this interview is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to the above listed Saint Louis Park case number. Anything that I've said to you initial, previously here. Has that all made sense or do you have any questions for me?

LP I have no questions.

CLN Okay uh did you work for the Saint Louis Park Police Department as a community

service officer?

LP Yes I did.

CLN Okay and approximately when did you start and when did you guit?

I'm unsure of a start time but I did work for Saint Louis Police for approximately under LP

a year.

CLN Okay and while you worked there as a CSO. Were you present and did you assist in

the officer involved shooting that I referenced?

LP Yes I did. Incident Report 19000783 - MN0270000 CLN Okay and where do you currently work now? I currently work for Metropolitan um Police.... LP CLN ...as a... LP ....Metropolitan Police... ...police officer? CLN LP Yes sir. So uh you are aware of the OIS that took place in Saint Louis Park back in January of CLN 2019. Correct? LP am. CLN And how were you made aware of that? How was I made aware of what? LP How were you made aware of the OIS? CLN Um when I was on duty a, I was told by an officer that something, or to respond to the LP uh the OIS. But I wasn't sure what it was so once I arrived to the location uh I talked to incident command. Command um told me to or instructed to uh set up the crime scene tape and that was what I did. Okay. Do you recall the address of the incident location? CLN LP Um. 2076 Louisiana Court. Okay uh, anything specific about that location like the street or? Was it a house? Was CLN it apartment? They were, it's in a cul-de-sac of apartments. LP Okay. Uh do you recall if the apartment was on the north side, south side, east side, CLN west side? LP I do not. Okay when you arrived at the incident scene do you recall the name of the supervisor CLN you spoke to receive directions about what to do? Sergeant Nadem. LP Okay and again I'm sorry. What did Sergeant Nadem request that you do when you CLN arrived on scene? Uh set up crime scene tape and make sure nobody uh, enters a through the tape. LP Okay. So a, can you to the best of your ability can you kind of describe the perimeter CLN of where you set up the crime scene tape. You know was it just around the apartment? Was around-, was it further out? Can you kind of describe that a little bit?

Um it was, was around the incident command. So there's in the kind of cul-de-sac LP area. Uh that's where all the cars were parked and we put crime scene around that, or tape around that blocked that off and we made sure nobody entered the apartment as well.

Do you recall to the best of your ability kind of specifically where you set up your CLN perimeter to prohibit um unwanted people from entering the crime scene?

Um. So it's as your entering through like when you're heading towards the cul-de-sac LP um that's where I placed the tape so acro-, like across um blocking the pathway towards into the apartment area complexes.

CLN LP	And is that were you stood also for perimeter duty? Uh I stood there and then I, I, moved around the perimeter to make sure nobody was a entering.
CLN LP	Okay. Uh approximately how long were you there for? Do you recall? I do not.
CLN	And in your own words kind of what's the purpose of a perimeter and the perimeter duty at an incident scene like that?  Uh it was to make uh the crime scene wasn't tainted in any way. Um make sure that people that are you know within the crime scene have something to do with the case. Uh we didn't want any people walking through there uh that weren't a part of it. Uh that weren't accounted for. Um and just to you know save the integrity of the, the scene of the entire place.
CLN	Okay so uh, uh besides you know sitting up crime scene tape and uh assisting with perimeter duty. Did you have any other duties that night related to the OIS at this location?  Um no I don't. I didn't have any other duties.
CLN	While present at the incident scene did you have any conversations with any officers? Whether they were supervisors, officers, officers from other agencies regarding specifics about what had occurred during the OIS? Or prior to the OIS at this location?  No.
CLN LP	Okay and I'm sorry I should have asked this initially. Can I get your complete name please? Your full name? Uh Liam Pham. L-I-A-M. P-H-A-M.
CLN	Okay Officer Pham I don't have any further questions for you. Uh if you have any questions for me feel to ask them at this time. Otherwise I can complete this, this interview for me is completed.  Okay thank you very much. I have no questions.
CLN LP CLN	Alright thank you. It's a 8:33 interview with Officer Pham is concluded. Thank you. [inaudible 07:20] Bye.

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Title: Summary of Voluntary Supplimental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Chief Harcey on 7-30-2019

HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

## SYNOPSIS:

This report is a summary of the report titled Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Chief Harcey on 7-30-2019. For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

# OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Chief Harcey

#### NARRATIVE:

On 7-30-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of St. Louis Park Police Chief Michael Harcey at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Chief Harcey's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and St. Louis Park PD case number 19000303. This report is a summary of Chief Harcey's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Chief Harcey stated that he was informed about an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) in St. Louis Park on 1-19-2019 at approximately 5:15pm by St. Louis Park PD Deputy Chief Kraaynsbrink. Chief Harcey stated that he was not provided specific details regarding this OIS at this time. Chief Harcey stated that he proceeded to the St. Louis Park PD upon notification of this OIS.

Chief Harcey stated that he received a secondary briefing regarding this OIS after his arrival at the police department. At this time Chief Harcey stated that he was advised that St. Louis Park police officers had had a call to service at 2760 Louisiana Ct. earlier that day regarding a welfare check on a female (believed to have been Mylee Workman) and that at some point during this call for service force was used by the St. Louis Park PD.

Chief H! recy stated that he was made aware of which St. Louis Park police officers had been involved in this OIS but he stated he was not provided specific details as to what each police officer did during this OIS.

Chief Harcey stated that after all four police officers and CSO (Community Service Officer) Goeder were brought back to the St. Louis Park PD that night he periodically checked in on each police officer and the CSO to see if they were "ok" or needed anything (food, access to chaplain, etc). Chief Harcey stated that at no time did he speak to any of these police officers or CSO about what had occurred inside 2760 Louisiana Ct #7 during the OIS earlier that night.

# **DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:**

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Title: Voluntary Supplimental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Chief Harcey on 7-30-2019

Nybeck

Statement of Chief Michael Lee Harcey, DOB: , taken at 13:00 HOURS on July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Questioned by Detective Christopher Nybeck. Steno Samantha Grates typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christopher Nybeck

MLH Chief Michael Lee Harcey, St. Louis Park Police Department

CLN Alright today's date, excuse me is July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019. It's approximately 1:00 P.M.

Detective Nybeck Hennepin County Sheriff's Office. I'm at the Saint Louis, Saint

Louis Park Police Department and I'm here with can I get your full name please?

MLH It's Michael Lee Harcey, H-A-R-C-E-Y.

CLN Okay a, before we ask, before I ask you any questions. I'm just kind a let you know

some general things. If you have any questions after I kind of give the generality and the reasons for this interview feel free to ask me. This is a voluntary

consensual interview related to Saint Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303. This case number is related to a OIS that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park Police Department. Since this is a voluntary and consensual interview. I have

not threatened you or coerced you or made any promises regarding this interview

correct?

MLH That's correct.

CLN Okay understanding that are you willing to provide me a consensual interview?

MLH Yes...

CLN Okay. The purpose of this interview and subsequent accompanying report based

upon this interview is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge related to the above listed case

number. Do you have any questions before we start?

MLH No.

CLN Okay were you, did you go to the scene on January 19<sup>th</sup>? I believe that was 2760

Louisiana Court?

MLH No I did not.

CLN Okay. Did you come to the police department that night?

MLH Yes.

CLN Approximately at what time did you arrive?

MLH I believe I arrived around 1830 hours.

CLN Okay. Either prior to arrival or upon arrival did somebody brief you about what

occurred that night in relation to this case number?

MLH	Yes I was contacted I would say approximately 1715 hours by Deputy Chief Chad Kraayenbrink. Uh who informed me of uh the involvement of the officer and the use of force.
CLN	Okay. And was the deputy chief specific about what happened? Did he list the officers or who was involved or what had specifically happened?
MLH	No I had no other details other than we have an officer involved shooting and u that he was starting to the police department and I was requested to a start in also.
CLN	Okay. Once you arrived at the police department did you receive a more thorough in depth briefing about what occurred?
MLH	Yes a, Deputy Chief Kraayenbrink I believe a briefed me on my arrival uh, uh with you know some of the details of the incident as we knew them at that time.
CLN	Okay. Now I know it's been about seven months but can you remember some of the details that the deputy chief briefed you on?
MLH	Uh just the fact that we had responded to the 2700, or 2760 Louisiana Court uh apartment building and uh we were there um to check the welfare of a woman and called and said she wanted to get rid of uh, or get her a um estranged boyfriend removed from the apartment. And uh sometime during that a, encounter. Um our officers used a force upon the subject.
CLN	And were you notified what officer were involved and what officers had fired their duty weapon?
MLH	Uh I knew what officers responded to the call. But I at that time I had no idea who had used a force.
CLN	Okay. At any point that evening did you meet or speak with any of the officers involved in this critical incident?
MLH	Um yes. I checked in with each of the uh four police officers and CSO ah briefly just to check to make sure that they were doing okay. And uh, um, that they had the opportunity to a, contact there union. Um in that case and also if they wanted to a, speak with a, a police chaplain that we had available for them.
CLN	Did any of the officers or the CO, CSO make any specific statement about what occurred that night in the apartment?
MLH	no, no. None what so ever.
CLN MLH	Okay. I don't have any other questions. Do you have any for me? No, none.
CLN	An interview with Chief Harcey began at approximately 1:00 P.M. and it's concluded at approximately 1:05 P.M. This is in relation to Hennepin County case number 19000783 and Saint Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303.

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Title: Summary of Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Hinz on 7-30-2019

# HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Hinz on 7-30-2019". For greater details refer to the above listed report and all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

# OFFICERS INVOLVED:

From the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Investigative Unit: Det. Nybeck

From the St. Louis Park Police Department: Officer Hinz

## NARRATIVE:

On 7-30-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntar9 interview of St. Louis Park Police Hinz at the St. Louis Park Police Department. Officer Hinz's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for St. Louis Park PD case number 18006854. A copy of this report is attached to the case file for evidentiary value. This report is a summary of Officer Hinz's statements to Det. Nybeck's questions during this interview. The complete interview is saved to this case file in both digital and transcription form. Refer to both forms for greater details.

Officer Hinz stated that he was not present for an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) that occurred in St. Louis Park on 1-19-r 019 because he was not scheduled to work that day. Officer Hinz stated that his normal scheduled days are Monday to Thursday with Friday to Sunday off.

Officer Hinz stated that he was dispatched to 2760 Louisiana Ct on the date of the above listed St. Louis Park PD case number for a welfare check with Sergeants Myer and Camp. Upon arrival to this address Officer Hinz and assisting Officers met with a female identified as Mylee Workman. Workman informed Officer Hinz and assisting Officers that her boyfriend (believed to be Matthew Tuhkanen) was coming to her address from a Walgreen's with a knife to either hurt her (Workman), himself or both.

Officer Hinz stated that he and the assisting Officers checked the outside of Workman's apartment building and were unsuccessful in finding Tuhkanen. Officer Hinz stated he informed Workman that he and the assisting Officers were unsuccessful in finding Tuhkanen in their search outside and around her apartment building. Officer Hinz stated that Workman appeared to be fearful and crying when he spoke to her. Officer Hinz stated that he suggested Workman call a family member to pick her up and remove her from her apartment building for her safety. Officer Hinz stated he believed Workman called her father who lived in Crystal, MN. Offier Hinz stated that he gave Workman and her child a ride to the main office for Perspectives (program to assist women in transition from domestic assault) a short distance away so Workman could wait in a safe location for her father. Officer Hinz stated he dropped off Workman and her child and ended this call for service.

#### DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:

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Title: Voluntary Supplemental Q&A St. Louis Park Police Officer Hinz on 7-30-2019

Statement of Officer Todd Hinz, taken at 13:39 HOURS on 07/30/2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Anna Villani typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck

TH Officer Todd Hinz

Alright today's date is July 30, 2019 and it is approximately 1:39 in the afternoon. Detective Nybeck, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, I'm at the Saint Louis Park Police Department in relation to Hennepin County case number 19000783. Saint Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303. Before I ask any questions, I'm just going to let you know this is a voluntary and a consensual interview, related to Saint Louis Park Police Department case number 19000303. This case number is related to an OIS, Officer Involved Shooting that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 involving Officer Heffernan on the Saint Louis Park Police Department. Since this is a consensual interview, I just want to make sure it's correct that I did not threaten, coerce, or demand this interview, is that correct?

TH That's correct.

CLN And you're willing to provide statements in this interview on your own accord,

correct?

TH Yes.

CLN Okay. Ahhh, just to let you know, the purpose of this interview and the subsequent

accompanying report based upon this interview, is to provide supplemental information related to your original report regarding your actions and knowledge, excuse me, related to the above listed case number. So basically, what I am

saying is, is, this interview is going to be transcribed...

TH ...um-hum...

CLN ... I'm going to do a summary report and the summary report will then be placed

into the larger report and then provided to the County Attorney's Office.

TH Okay.

CLN Ahhh, were you present on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2019 for the Officer Involved Shooting at

2760 Louisiana Court?

TH I was not.

CLN Have you ever had a call to service to that address and or for a female named

Mylee Workman?

TH I was in late 2018...

CLN ...okav...

TH ...so in November and December, somewhere in there.

CLN Can you explain, ahhh, what you recall regarding that call to service?

TH So, myself and Sergeant Myer and Sergeant Kemp, I got dispatched over to a welfare check. The ahhh, ahhh the female had called saying that her boyfriend...

CLN ...female being Mylee?

TH I, I, I believe that was it, I can't give 100 percent certainty without look at the, at the call for service. But a female had called.

CLN Okay.

TH

And said that her boyfriend was on his way from Walgreens, umm, to her apartment and that he had a knife and was going to harm himself or harm her, I can't remember how it went but ahhh, ahhh, we got into the area, checked the area, didn't see him, we had a description. And ahhh, went up knocked on the door, and as I was knocking, she came running to the door, said that she heard him outside yelling, told her I said, we were just outside, I said there's nobody out there yelling, went back out check around again. And ahhh, there's nobody out there. Went back up to the apartment and, it was pretty clear that she was scared, umm, there was a, ahhh, an employee from Perspectives that was in the apartment playing with her child or children, it might have been one or two.

CLN And when you say scared, ahhh, can you describe that a little bit, was it noticeable or?

Yeah, she was crying and visibly upset. I mean she, she thought this, this guy was coming to ahhh, do her harm, ahhh, or harm himself, umm or both. And ahhh, so it, it was pretty clear that she was visible shaken to me, I could see that she was upset. The Perspectives employee was trying to keep her son or children umm, busy so that umm, they wouldn't see what was going on with mom and so I suggested that maybe ahhh, she get ahold of a family member. And I think her dad lived in Crystal, if I remember right. And she got ahold of him and ahhh, he agreed to come down and pick her and the children up and umm, so then we suggested maybe getting away from the apartment and going over to the Perspectives office on Gorham. And so the Perspectives employee took her and her child or children and drove them over and I followed them out of the area, just to make sure that he wasn't outside. And ahhh, we never did have contact with him at all. Never, never found him umm, had no idea where he was at, but.

CLN And did you stay with the female and her children till the father arrived?

TH No, so once, once I followed them out of the area and they got over to Gorham, then I, I cleared the, cleared the call.

CLN Okay. TH So.

CLN I think in the beginning part of your statement is, is you were given a description of this male who had the knife, do you recall what that description was?

TH Not without looking at the call notes, yeah. No it was on a white male, I can tell you it was a white male.

CLN Okay.

TH And ahhh, the caller said it was her boyfriend or ex-boyfriend. There was a relationship between the two of them I know that.

CLN Okay.

TH Umm, as far as their exact names, like I said I'd have to look at the call for service,

	to, to give you that information accurately. I just don't recall what the names were.
CLN TH	Okay and just, just to be sure, make sure I understand. You were not present on the 19 <sup>th</sup> of January for the OIS correct?
'''	Correct it was on my night off. Yup.
CLN	Okay, umm, I do not have any more questions for you, do you have any for me that I can answer?
TH	I have none.
CLN	Okay, it's approximately 1:43, Officer or, interview with Officer Hinz is concluded. I should ask you how long have you been a police officer with the Saint Louis Park Police Department?
TH	28 years.
CLN TH	Okay, and can I get your full name please for the, the record? Yeah, it's Todd T-O-D-D ahhh, Hinz H-I-N-□.
CLN	Okay, alright, thank you Officer Hinz.



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Case SL18006854

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Status

Approved

Report Type

Patrol

CIBRS Classification Primary Officer

Private Todd Hinz

Investigator

None

Reported At

12/10/18 15:53

Incident Date

12/10/18 15:53

Incident Code

TRES: Trespass / Unwant

Location

2768 LOUISIANA CT, ST LOUIS PARK, MN 55426 (PERSEPCTIVES EAST AP)

Zone

Texa Tonka

Beat

SL43

Disposition

Closed

Disposition Date/Time 12/11/18 11:12

Review for Gang Activity None

Bias Based On

**Bias Targets** 

**Bias Circumstances** 

#### Case Comments

Ex-boyfriend asking to stay with resident, who is refusing his request

#### Offense Information

Offense

MISC OFCR OTHER

Statute

MISOTH

**NIBRS Code** 

999 - NIBRS Non-reportable

Counts

Offense Details

Case was Exceptionally Cleared

Include In NIBRS Yes Completed

Yes

Bias Motivation

None (no bias)

Location

Residence/Home

**Entry Forced** 

No

# Complainant

#### **WORKMAN, MYLEE JANE**

Female, DOB 7/8/81

2760 LOUISIANA CT UNIT 7 ST LOUIS PARK, MN 55426

(612) 535-7984 Home (763) 535-7984 Home MISOTH - 9-MISOTH - MISC OFCR OTHER - Case was

**Exceptionally Cleared** 

#### Offender

### TUHKANEN, MATTHEW NEIL

Male, DOB 8/4/83 970 PICKETT ST N BAYPORT, MN 55003 MISOTH - 9-MISOTH - MISC OFCR OTHER - Case was Exceptionally Cleared

#### Suspect

## **TUHKANEN, MATTHEW NEIL**

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#### Victim

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# Primary Narrative By Todd Hinz, 12/10/18 17:41

On 12-10-18 at 1553 hrs., Officer Smith and I were dispatched to 2768 Louisiana Court (Perspectives Office) to meet with R/P, Mylee Workman. Workman told SLPPD Dispatch that her son's father, who was recently released from prison, is hanging around the property at Louisiana Court Apartments. Officers arrived in the area, but did not find any males walking around the area.

Officer Smith and I were alerted by a female, who was standing at the front door of 2760 Louisiana Court. The female ID'd herself as Mylee Workman, stating that she lived at 2760 Louisiana Court unit #7. Officers accompanied Workman to her apartment. Workman stated that her son's father, Matthew Tuhkanen, was recently released from prison. She told officers that she allowed him to stay with her for the past two nights, but that she no longer wants him staying with her. She stated that he is homeless and has nowhere to go. Tuhkanen had been calling Workman, who has told him multiple times that he cannot stay with her. She stated that Tuhkanen does not have a vehicle and that he walks. She stated that he uses public WIFI to communicate on his cell phone.

Workman was advised to call 911 if Tuhkanen were to show up at her apartment.

End of report.

#### Case Forms

Victim Form for WORKMAN, MYLEE JANE Primary Narrative 12/10/18 by Todd Hinz