

Supplemental Report

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Title: Summary Voluntary Supplemental Q&A Minnetonka Police Department Officer Mace on 8-2-2019**Created By:**

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**HENNEPIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
INVESTIGATIVE REPORT**

This report is a summary of the report titled "Voluntary Supplemental Q&A Minnetonka Police Department Officer Mace on 8-2-2019". 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 Minnetonka Police Department: Officer Mace

NARRATIVE:

On 8-2-2019 Det. Nybeck conducted a digitally recorded voluntary interview of Minnetonka Police Officer Mace at the Minnetonka Police Department. Officer Mace's interview on this date is a supplement to his initial report for Hennepin County case number 19000783 and Minnetonka PD case number 19000272. This report is a summary of Officer Mace'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 Mace stated that he was scheduled to work on 1-19-2019 for the City of Minnetonka. Officer Mace stated that he was notified about an OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) in the City of St. Louis Park that night via radio and that he and Officer Olson of the Minnetonka Police Department drove to the incident location "code 3".

Officer Mace stated that upon arrival at the incident address (2760 Louisiana Ct. #7) he and Officer Olson were directed to apartment #7 and to assist as needed.

Officer Mace stated that he and Officer Olson entered this apartment and observed St. Louis Park police officers and firefighters in the back rear bedroom for this apartment. Officer Mace stated that he and Officer Olson never entered this rear bedroom but were able to observe firefighters administering what appeared to be medical aid to an individual inside this room. Officer Mace was not able to describe the medical aid being administered but at some point a firefighter informed both of them (Officers Mace and Olson) that the individual receiving medical attention was deceased.

Officer Mace stated that after learning that the individual inside the bedroom was deceased, he and Officer Olson exited the interior of apartment #7 and stood outside the this apartment for security purposes. Officer Mace stated that Officer Olson then began a crime scene log for apartment #7 and maintained the crime scene log until Officer Olson was relieved by Officer Peek of the St. Louis Park Police Department for this duty. Officer Mace stated he was present with Officer Olson as Officer Olson was maintaining the crime scene log. Officer Mace stated that Officer Olson maintained the crime scene log while standing outside apartment #7.

Officer Mace stated that at no time did he hear or overhear any Law Enforcement Officer or firefighter

Speak about this OIS.

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Statement of Officer Joseph Richard Mace, taken at 15:01 HOURS on 08/02/2019. Questioned by Detective Christofer Nybeck. Steno Anna Villani typing. Hennepin County Sheriff's Office Case No. 19000783.

CLN Detective Christofer Nybeck

JRM Officer Joseph Richard Mace

CLN Alright today's date is August 2nd 2019 it's approximately 3:01 in the afternoon. Detective Nybeck, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office I'm conducting a phone interview with Officer Joe Mace of the Minnetonka Police Department in relation to Hennepin County case number 190000783 and Saint Louis Park Police Department case number 190000303. Ahhh, this case number the 303 case number is related to an OIS that occurred in the city of Saint Louis Park on January 19th involving Officer Heffernan of the Saint Louis Park Police Department. Ahhh, again, ahhh this is a voluntary and consensual, consensual interview umm, additionally ahhh, is it correct Officer Mace that I haven't threatened, coerced or demanded that you provide this interview to me?

JRM Correct.

CLN Okay. Ahhh, 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 about anything I've said to you so far?

JRM No.

CLN Okay. Ahhh, were you scheduled to work on January 19th of this year?

JRM Yes.

CLN For the city of Minnetonka Police Department?

JRM Yes.

CLN And were you advised of an Officer Involved Shooting at some point that night?

JRM Yes.

CLN Okay and how were you notified?

JRM Ahhh, the ahhh, my portable radio.

CLN Okay and upon being notified of this OIS, what did you do?

JRM Umm, myself and Officer Tim Olson ahhh, responded umm code 3 emergency lights to the address of where the OIS occurred.

CLN And do you recall the address of the location of where you guys were responding to?

JRM 27..60 Louisiana Court apartment number 7.

CLN Okay. Ahhh when you and Tim got there, what did you guys do?
JRM I got on scene, umm went for my medical bag and then dropped the other officer out, he didn't have any medical gloves. Umm ask for some medical gloves and they directed us to apartment number 7 to ahhh, assist in rendering aide. [Inaudible 00:02:36].

CLN Was it so that, you and Tim then entered apartment number 7?
JRM Yes.

CLN Okay when you guys ahhh got to the door and you entered, what did you see, initially when you came through the doorway?
JRM Umm, we came to the door way, umm, we saw some Saint Louis Park officers and then ahhh, some fire personnel inside the apartment. I think they were attempting to give medical aid to the victim. Umm, the umm, we met the Saint Louis Park firefighter, ahhh he stated that the victim was deceased.

CLN And what, when you guys encountered the Saint Louis Park police officers and the firefighters, where in the department did you guys kind of meet up with them?
JRM Kind of like in the, ahhh, in the, in the general area, I think the majority of the, there like the firefighters, I think were in the back bedroom, but myself and Officer Olson never made it into the back bedroom where I believe the victim was.

CLN Ahhh, do you recall if the back bedroom was straight ahead, to the right, to the left or?
JRM Believe it was straight ahead and to the left, walking into the doorway.

CLN Okay and I'm sorry did you and Officer Olson make it inside that bedroom where the firefighters and the police officers were at?
JRM No.

CLN Were you guys able to look inside that room at any point?
JRM I just saw, ahhh, appeared to be like a, I think like a, my recall a double bed and that was about it.

CLN Okay. Ahhh, could you tell what ahhh the police officers, the firefighters were doing when you guys looked inside the, through the doorway?
JRM Ahhh, I could not, I think that, you know, wrapping up rendering aid or still trying to render aid. At that point they were telling, you know, the firefighter told us that ahhh, the victim was deceased.

CLN Okay, now when you say rendering aid, ahhh, could you tell what they were doing to the individual in the bedroom?
JRM No.

CLN Okay. Ahhh, did you hear the firefighters communicate with the police officer or amongst themselves about anything that was going on inside that room? Ahhh, err, could you actually hear them talk about anything?
JRM No.

CLN Okay. Ahhh, so what did you guys do after you saw them attempting to render aid?
JRM Umm, so at that point, once you learn that, when the firefighter that ahhh the victim

was deceased, we decided me and Officer Olson ahhh, decided to go to the main common area outside of apartment number 7 doorway, and ahhh, kind of keep security umm at the door and ahhh, and then Officer Olson started a crime scene log.

CLN Did you stay with Officer Olson as he was working on the crime scene log?
JRM I did.

CLN And did you receive any other further directives from any officers whether it was Saint Louis Park or assisting law enforcement officer about doing anything else to assist that night?

JRM Ahhh, nope we just ahhh, stood there and ahhh, like I said Officer Olson was filling out the crime scene log until they ahhh, ahhh Saint Louis Park officer relieved us.

CLN Do you remember what Saint, excuse me, do you remember what Saint Louis Park police officer relieved Officer Olson?

JRM Ahhh, Officer Peek I believe.

CLN Okay. While you were present, while you and Officer Olson were present, umm, at incident scene, you know, upon, from your arrival to when you guys departed, did you guys hear anything spoken about or anything related to the OIS that occurred in that apartment that night? So basically what I'm asking is did you hear anybody talk about the OIS at all while you guys were present there?

JRM No.

CLN Okay. Umm, and I don't think I ask this yet, but can I get your rank and full name please?

JRM Ahhh, Patrol Officer, Team Officer, ahhh full name Joseph Richard Mace.

CLN Officer Mace, ahhh, I don't have any more questions but do you have any for me?

JRM Nope.

CLN Okay, thanks for ahhh, taking time out of the day, I'm going to conclude this interview, it's approximately 3:08 in the afternoon.

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INVESTIGATIVE REPORT****SYNOPSIS:**

This report pertains to the attempted interview of Sgt. Tait of the Minnetonka Police Department on 8-8-2019 by Det. Nybeck in relation to Sgt. Tait's knowledge and involvement in the OIS (Officer Involved Shooting) in St. Louis Park on 1-19-2019. Refer to all reports and attachments in this case file for greater details.

OFFICERS INVOLVED:

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

NARRATIVE:

On 8-8-2019 Det. Nybeck attempted to interview Sgt. Tait of the Minnetonka Police Department in relation to his knowledge and involvement in the above listed OIS. Prior to beginning Sgt. Tait's interview, Sgt. Tait informed Det. Nybeck that he did not assist and was not present at the above listed OIS.

Sgt. Tait informed Det. Nybeck that he only generated a CAD entry for Officer Olson and Mace's assistance in this OIS and that he only approved Officer Olson's report that was generated for his (Officer Olson's) assistance in this OIS. Based upon Sgt. Tait's non-involvement in this OIS, Sgt. Tait was not subsequently interviewed by Det. Nybeck on this date.

DISPOSITION/FOLLOW UP:

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