



**RIVERSIDE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY
SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT**



AR Number DAR2020-230-001	Date of Occurrence From 08/16/2020	Date of Occurrence To	Date Reported	Office RIVERSIDE
Offense Code OIS	Offense Description Officer Involved Shooting - FATAL		Felony/Misdemeanor FELONY	EDP Code 13C7-N
Offense Code	Offense Description		Felony/Misdemeanor	EDP Code
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Location of Occurrence 560 N. San Jacinto, Hemet, CA 92543				Inv. Case Status OPEN
Business Name			Business Phone	Inv. Disposition

V - Victim W - Witness RP - Reporting Party O - Other

V/W/RP V	Name OFFICER SCHROEDER #10597	DOB	DL/ID#	State	Sex	Race	HT	WT	Hair	Eye
Residence Address									Res/Cell Phone	
Business Name HEMET PD		Business Address 450 E. LATHAM AVENUE, HEMET, CA 92543							Business Phone (951) 765-2400	

Suspect **Arrested:** Yes ☐ No ☒

Sus # 1	Name ESPINOZA, YSIDRO JOSE	DOB 04/29/1990	DL/ID# E30888857	State CA	Sex M	Race H	HT 5'9"	WT 185	Hair BLK	Eye BRN
Residence Address 1825 S. SAMNTA FE ST APT 110, SAN JACINTO, CA 92583									Res/Cell Phone	
Business Name		Business Address							Business Phone	

Summary

Prepared By Sr. Inv Moreno #MM395	Date	Approved By <i>R. Bodner #215</i>	Date 6/15/21
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NARRATIVE

RIVERSIDE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

FILE NUMBER: DAR2020-230-001

DATE: 10/22/20

RIVERSIDE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE – BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONS:

Sr Investigator II Mario Moreno

DA Office / Riverside

HEMET POLICE DEPARTMENT – INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU:

Detective Doug Klinzing
Officer Dylan Detwiler #10644

Hemet Police Department

HEMET POLICE OFFICERS LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE:

Brandy Harper

Law Firm of Castillo Harper

ASSOCIATED CASE NUMBERS:

Hemet Police Department

Case Number 20-6129

EVIDENCE:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
01	DVD+R disk containing interview with Officer Detwiler

The above listed item was placed into evidence at the Riverside County District Attorney's Office Forensic Unit

ATTACHEMENTS:

1. 24-page transcripts of interview with Officer D. Detwiler on 08/19/2020
2. Copy of photograph shown to and used by Officer D. Detwiler on 08/19/2020.

DETAILS:

The following supplemental report is regarding an officer involved shooting incident that occurred on August 16, 2020 at 516 North San Jacinto in the city of Hemet. The suspect, later identified as Ysidro Espinoza, was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Officer Detwiler was charted on August 16, 2020 by Riverside County District Attorney Senior Investigator Villalobos and Menifee Police Department Forensic Tech Keene. The charting consisted of digital photographs of Officer Detwiler and documentation of Officer Detwiler's uniform, equipment and service weapon. Sr. Investigator Villalobos charted Officer Detwiler's service weapon; a Glock 21 .45 caliber serial number VLS928. The handgun was equipped with a Streamlight TLR-1 HL tactical light. Officer Detwiler's patrol rifle was a Colt M4 Commando, serial number A0222611, 5.56mm caliber semiautomatic rifle, at the time of charting the rifle did not have a magazine in the magazine well. Officer Detwiler's less lethal shotgun, a Remington 870 serial number V512838V 12-gauge shotgun was also charted. The less lethal shotgun had one live "West Coast Ammunition", 12 gauge bean bag round in the barrel, two live "West Coast Ammunition", 12 gauge bean bag rounds in the magazine and two live "West Coast Ammunition", 12 gauge bean bag rounds in the shotguns side saddle round holder.

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Officer Detwiler was identified as being involved in the officer involved shooting.

On August 19, 2020, at approximately 1804 hours, Officer Detwiler agreed to meet with me and provide a voluntary statement. The interview was conducted in a conference room at the Hemet Police Department. Detective Klinzing of the Hemet Police Department and Brandy Harper of Law Firm of Castillo Harper were also present during the interview. Per Hemet Police Department policy, officers can provide an uninterrupted statement prior to viewing video recordings of the incident. Officer Detwiler chose to provide an uninterrupted statement prior to viewing any video recording of the incident.

After the uninterrupted statement, the interview was stopped and Officer Detwiler and Attorney Brandy Harper exited the interview room to watch the body worn camera video of the incident. The interview resumed after Officer Detwiler viewed the video recordings.

The interview was audio recorded and later booked into evidence at the Riverside County District Attorney's Office. A copy of the recording was submitted to a transcription services company to be transcribed.

For additional information on the content of the interview, refer to attached transcript(s) and / or audio recorded interview.

STATUS:

OPEN / CR-2

INTERVIEW WITH OFC. DYLAN DETWILER

DAR2020-230-001

MORENO=Mario Moreno

KLINZING=Doug Klinzing

DETWILER=Ofc. Dylan Detwiler

HARPER=Brandi Harper

(Duration: 00:07:32)

MORENO: Okay, it is Wednesday, August 19, approximately 6:40 pm. We are at the Hemet Police Department in an interview room conducting interviews regarding an officer involved shooting that occurred on -- excuse me -- Sunday, August 16 at the location of 560 North San Jacinto. The incident's documented under Riverside County District Attorney Case Number 2020-230-001, also Hemet Police Department Case 20-6129. We'll start the interview by identifying everybody in the room. My name is, uh, Mario Moreno. I am investi- senior investigator with the Riverside County District Attorney's Office.

KLINZING: Uh, Doug Klinzing, investigator with the Hemet Police Department.

DETWILER: Dylan Detwiler, police officer with the Hemet Police Department.

HARPER: Brandi Harper from Castillo Harper. I'm his attorney representative.

MORENO: Okay, Officer Detwiler, this is a criminal investigation and it will be submitted to the district attorney for review. You do not have to speak with me. No discipline can come to you for not speaking with me. Excuse me. Prior to this interview has anyone ordered you to give me a statement?

DETWILER: No.

MORENO: Other than a public safety statement have you provided any statement regarding this incident?

DETWILER: No.

1 MORENO: Has anyone ordered you to speak to me?
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3 DETWILER: No.
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5 MORENO: Okay, I know you've had some time to meet with your attorney prior to today's
6 interview and you have a chosen to provide a free and uninterrupted statement.
7 Understanding that there are video and audio recordings related to this incident
8 you will have the op- opportunity to review those recordings after giving an
9 uninterrupted, voluntary narrative of what occurred. During this time you will
10 not - we will not ask you any questions related to the incident. Feel free to start
11 whenever you are ready.
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13 DETWILER: Okay, uh, Sunday morning I was just about to get off work. It was almost end of
14 shift. I was at the station when I heard Officer Schroeder, uh, go on - go on the
15 air and, uh, broadcast a traffic stop, uh, and he, uh, read the license plate aloud.
16 Uh, the vehicle returned back to a possible suspect vehicle, a suspect that was
17 involved in a, uh, homicide the night prior. Um, Officer Schroeder broadcast 11-
18 11, uh, 'cause the vehicle failed to yield. I, uh, I ran out of the station, got in my
19 unit, and, uh, ultimately got behind the pursuit at about, uh, Devonshire and, uh,
20 Alessandro area. Uh, I was the number four unit in the pursuit. Uh, Corporal
21 Christianson was in front of me. Um, I ultimately ended up turning off my, uh -
22 uh, code three lights. I just was trailing the pursuit per our policy. Um, I was just
23 following the pursuit. Um, during the pursuit, uh, traveled through Hemet, went
24 into San Jacinto. At first he was drivin' at a really high rate of speed, pretty
25 recklessly, uh, running lights. Um, uh, ultimately he began to slow down. Uh,
26 once he slowed down, uh, he was drivin' very erratically, reaching around the
27 vehicle, um, throwing - throwing stuff out of the vehicle. I saw on Ramona
28 Expressway he threw a white, powdery substance out the window. Um,
29 continued reaching around, looking back towards the pursuing officers. Um,
30 ultimately he turned onto San Jacinto Street. Once on San Jacinto Street going
31 southbound, um, he continued going slower and then he avoided spike strips
32 twice. Um, at this time the vehicle was traveling, uh, very slow. And at some
33 point during the pursuit I actually took my, uh, M4 out of the, uh, gun lock in the
34 center of the car and had it in my lap, um, knowing that the murder - or that there
35 was still a weapon outstanding. Somebody br- broadcasted it over the air armed -
36 possibly armed and dangerous, uh, at the beginning of the pursuit. And I was

1 familiar with the case from the night before. I knew the murder weapon was a
2 gun and it hadn't been located yet. Um, so continuing southbound on San
3 Jacinto, uh, he's goin' slow. Ultimately, uh, vehicle comes to a stop, um, near
4 San Jacinto and Oakland, just north of. And, uh, at this time I had my vehicle
5 positioned to the right of, uh, suspect vehicle, just behind and to the right. Um, I
6 exited my vehicle, uh, with my M4 rifle. Um, driver got out of the vehicle. I
7 couldn't see his hands at fir- initially. He was facing away from me when he
8 exited the vehicle. As he turned around I saw a silver, uh, looked like a revolver
9 type handgun. Um, he raised - began to raise the gun up. I told him, uh, "Drop
10 the gun. Uh, put your hands in the air." He refused my orders. He continued
11 raising the gun. I was in fear for my life that he was gonna point it in my
12 direction as he was raising it up so I discharged my firearm. Um, after that he,
13 uh, it all seemed so simultaneously, uh, he shot himself in the head as well. He
14 fell to the ground and, uh, he was propped up actually facing - so he was s-
15 seated and he was propped up against the door - driver door that was still open.
16 He still had the gun in his hand. He was still moving. Uh, after I fired my rifle it
17 actually jammed. I tried to clear it real quick, didn't - cou- couldn't clear it. I
18 threw it back in my car and transi- transitioned to my pistol. Uh, at this time I
19 gave him multiple commands to, "Drop the gun. Put your hands in the air." He
20 was not complying with our commands. Um, so we formulated a plan since we
21 didn't have a K9 to, uh, deploy a less lethal. Uh, I had a beanbag in my, uh, trunk
22 of my unit. So I volunteered to, uh, utilize a beanbag, um, to see if it would have
23 any effect on him. Um, I went to the l- or went over to the - the left of the three
24 vehicles we had parked and that - that's where I deployed my beanbag. I gave
25 verbal commands again, uh, "Show us your hands. Drop the gun. You're gettin'
26 hit with a beanbag." I, uh, made my announcements - beanbag announcements
27 and then I fired, struck him with the beanbag. Um, had no effect on him. At the
28 time, uh, we formulated a plan to have a vehicle drive up and we had a stack of
29 guys. I was number two in the stack behind Corporal Christianson. He was
30 lethal. I stayed less lethal with the beanbag. Uh, Cabby was gonna go hands on
31 and grab the gun. And then that was still in his hand. Um, and then the two other
32 officers that were behind us were gonna grab, uh, suspect and, uh, get him into
33 custody and perform lifesaving. After that I put my beanbag back in my car and I
34 wanted to look at my rifle to figure out what happened. I cleared my - my jam
35 and I put my rifle back in my gun lock. And then that was my involvement in
36 the, um, incident.

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MORENO: Okay, at this time it's, uh, 6:48. Go ahead, stop the recording, and give you time to view your body worn camera video.

1 **INTERVIEW WITH OFC. DYLAN DETWILER**

2 **DAR2020-230-001**

3 **MORENO=Mario Moreno**

4 **DETWILER=Ofc. Dylan Detwiler**

5 **(Duration: 00:24:35)**

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8 **MORENO:** It is, ah, approximately 7:07 pm, Wednesday, August 19. Um, still at Hemet
9 Police Department Interview Room. Regarding the, ah, officer-involved
10 shooting. Incident Number DAR2020-230-001. We are with, ah, Officer
11 Detwiler. Officer Detwiler, ah, do you wish to speak to me?

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13 **DETWILER:** Yes.

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15 **MORENO:** Can you spell your first and last name for me please?

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17 **DETWILER:** Ah, D-Y-L-A-N, D-E-T-W-I-L-E-R.

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19 **MORENO:** Date of birth?

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21 **DETWILER:** 8-7-93.

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23 **MORENO:** Height and weight?

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25 **DETWILER:** Ah, 6'1", 250.

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27 **MORENO:** And how long have you been a police officer?

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29 **DETWILER:** Three years.

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31 **MORENO:** All with, ah, Hemet?

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33 **DETWILER:** Yes, sir.

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35 **MORENO:** Any previous military experience?

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1 DETWILER: No.
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3 MORENO: What is your ID number?
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5 DETWILER: 10644.
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7 MORENO: Your date of hire and current rank?
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9 DETWILER: It's January 2017 and, ah, Police Officer.
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11 MORENO: What's your current assignment?
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13 DETWILER: Patrol.
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15 MORENO: And you know, ah, tell me your work schedule.
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17 DETWILER: Ah, it's - it's Team 4 right now and that shift is Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
18 and every other Saturday night from 1800 to 0600.
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20 MORENO: What, ah, what is your call sign?
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22 DETWILER: Paul-42.
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24 MORENO: What was your unit number?
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26 DETWILER: 3040.
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28 MORENO: Were you by yourself or did you have a partner?
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30 DETWILER: Ah, by myself.
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32 MORENO: And, ah, what unit - I'm sorry, what uniform were you wearing on Sunday
33 morning?
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35 DETWILER: Ah, Class D.
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1 MORENO: Describe Class D for me.
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3 DETWILER: It's the weight bearing, ah, vest.
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5 MORENO: And, um, is there, ah, offic- police officer...
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7 DETWILER: It's got - yeah, it's got - so it's got a badge over the breast and then nameplate
8 with my last name. And it says "police" on the front in bold letters and it says
9 "police" on the back in bold letters. And it's, ah, cargo pants and I had my duty
10 belt on, my Sam Browne. I had my Glock 21, two pairs of handcuffs, baton and,
11 ah, OC as well, and taser.
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13 MORENO: Um, did you have an audiovisual recorder at the time?
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15 DETWILER: I did, I had my body-worn camera.
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17 MORENO: Is your vehicle equipped with a dash cam?
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19 DETWILER: Ah, no it's not.
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21 MORENO: And was your body-worn camera activated?
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23 DETWILER: It was.
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25 MORENO: And you've had a chance to review your audio and video recordings?
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27 DETWILER: Yes, sir.
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29 MORENO: Did you take any photos at the scene?
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31 DETWILER: No.
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33 MORENO: You said you had a Glock 19?
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35 DETWILER: Ah, 21.
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1 MORENO: Glock 21. What caliber is it?
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3 DETWILER: Ah, it's .45.
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5 MORENO: Um, any other weapons that you had that you used?
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7 DETWILER: Yeah - yeah, my, ah, M4, it's a .223 round.
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9 MORENO: Ah, how many rounds - how do you load that weapon?
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11 DETWILER: Ah, the PMAG.
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13 MORENO: How many rounds?
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15 DETWILER: Ah, it holds up to 30.
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17 MORENO: How many rounds were in that magazine?
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19 DETWILER: Twenty-seven.
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21 MORENO: Was there a round in the chamber?
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23 DETWILER: Yes.
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25 MORENO: And then how many shots did you fire?
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27 DETWILER: One.
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29 MORENO: Was that through the, ah, M4 or the Glock 27?
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31 DETWILER: Ah, M4.
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33 MORENO: Were you injured?
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35 DETWILER: No.
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1 MORENO: Okay. So you provided a - a detailed statement, so I'm just gonna ask you some
2 questions based on the statement you provided to us.
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4 DETWILER: Yep.
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6 MORENO: Um, so you, ah, heard Officer Schroeder run the plate?
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8 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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10 MORENO: And, um, was there indication on who that plate belonged to?
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12 DETWILER: Ah, Dispatch actually aired the registered owner of the vehicle and I was familiar
13 with the case as I was the initial investigating officer from the homicide the night
14 before. The registered owner that Dispatch aired was the potential, ah, homicide
15 suspect that - that Detective Behr was actively looking for.
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17 MORENO: Do you recall the name?
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19 DETWILER: Ah, Jacidro was his first name and I can't remember his last name right now, but
20 his first name was Jacidro.
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22 MORENO: Okay. And, um, shortly after that, um, you said Officer Schroeder requested
23 assistance?
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25 DETWILER: Yes.
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27 MORENO: Was it 11-11 or just 11-10?
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29 DETWILER: Ah, 11-11.
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31 MORENO: And did he go into a pursuit?
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33 DETWILER: Yes.
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35 MORENO: Um, where were you at when the pursuit was initiated?
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1 DETWILER: I was at the station when Schroeder initially aired the pursuit. Um, I got into my -
2 I ran up to my unit and I went westbound on Latham. I believe I went
3 northbound onto Palm and that's when I got behind the pursuit as number four.
4 Corporal Christianson was in front of me, ah, and then, ah, Alex Reynoso and
5 Nick Schroeder in the front. So I was number four. Initially I was lights and
6 sirens. Shortly after shut down and just trailed the pursuit and let the three, ah,
7 front units handle the pursuit.
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9 MORENO: Okay. So you were in the pursuit up, um, just towards, ah, what was that? Just a
10 few blocks from here? Or...
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12 DETWILER: Yeah.
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14 MORENO: Okay.
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16 DETWILER: Yeah.
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18 MORENO: And then you shut down and trailed?
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20 DETWILER: Yep.
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22 MORENO: 'Kay. Um, during the trailing of the pursuit, were you able to physic- to
23 personally see any of the driving actions by the suspect?
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25 DETWILER: Yes I was.
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27 MORENO: Okay. Describe those for us.
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29 DETWILER: Ah, very erratic. Ah, all over the place swerving. At the beginning he was, ah,
30 traveling at very high rates of speed. Um, ah, driving recklessly, running lights.
31 You know, not even checking intersections. Just blowing our trail. Um, he was
32 looking around a bunch. Reaching around in the vehicle, which I pers- personally
33 witnessed several times. Looking backwards at one point. He wasn't even
34 looking at the road. He was just looking backwards at all the trailing units. Um,
35 ah, he was throwing stuff out of the windows. A white powdery substance that I
36 saw on Ramona Expressway when we were going, ah, northwest. Um, he also

1 threw, like, a black bandanna. He was blowing smoke out of the window. I don't
2 know what the substance was or the smoke was. Um, so that's what I observed.
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4 MORENO: Okay. Um, was anything aired on the radio about what the suspect was doing?
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6 DETWILER: Ah, reaching around. Possibly reaching for a weapon. I think somebody had
7 mentioned that he was armed and - possibly armed and dangerous over the air. I
8 don't know if it was one of the detectives or not. That was over the air at some
9 point in that. Um, yeah, I don't - that's all I heard on the radio.
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11 MORENO: And, um, okay. Prior to this incident had - had you ever had any contact with the
12 suspect and/or his family members?
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14 DETWILER: Ah, I had not.
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16 MORENO: Okay. Um, can you describe your stress level during the pursuit?
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18 DETWILER: It was high. It was pretty high.
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20 MORENO: Elaborate more on high. What caused your stress level to be high?
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22 DETWILER: Ah, just knowing, ah, the circumstances from the case the night before, the initial
23 homicide. Ah, the weapon outstanding. His driving actions. The entire pursuit
24 was making me and my stress level go a little higher and higher 'cause I've
25 honestly never seen someone quite - act quite like that during a pursuit. I've
26 never seen someone reach around in a vehicle so much, look around, look at us. I
27 feel like he was lookin' back trying to figure out what he's gonna do. Um,
28 definitely caused my stress level to rise more than normal during that pursuit -
29 pursuit.
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31 MORENO: Okay. Okay, um, at the termination of the pursuit - actually, earlier you did state
32 that, ah, the suspect at some point was, ah, driving fast and then slowed down?
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34 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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36 MORENO: Um, did his, um, slowing down, um, change your perception or your emotions

1 during the pursuit?

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3 DETWILER: Ah, no. I was focused on the vehicle. I was - stress level was still high, even
4 when he was going slow. I found that to be pretty odd. You know, ho- especially
5 after someone's driving fast at start - the start, and then - then they go slow out of
6 nowhere and they keep going slow. To me, that says they're trying to formulate a
7 plan of some sort.

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9 MORENO: Okay. At the termination of the pursuit, let me show you a picture from the
10 scene. This picture here if you can see.

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12 DETWILER: Mm-hm.

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14 MORENO: There's, ah, what appears to be a green Toyota. Next to it is a barrier...

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16 DETWILER: Mm-hm.

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18 MORENO: ...on the driver's side. Directly behind that is five marked Hemet Police
19 Department black and white patrol vehicles. Um, if you can, grab the Sharpie
20 and let me know which, ah, if the vehicle you were driving is depicted in this
21 photo.

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23 DETWILER: With the marker or just point?

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25 MORENO: Circle it, please.

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27 DETWILER: Okay.

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29 MORENO: And then also if you could put an X to where you positioned at the term- where
30 physically you were at the end of the pursuit. Okay. And from that position,
31 what, ah, what, if anything, could you see, um, southbound on North San
32 Jacinto?

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34 DETWILER: What could I see past the vehicle? Or...

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36 MORENO: Yeah, what was your - what was your - your - your sight picture?

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2 DETWILER: My sight picture when I initially got out of my unit was, ah, an open intersection.
3 And I didn't see anyone, ah, walking around or anything. It was an open
4 intersection that I saw when I exited my unit.
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6 MORENO: When you stopped your car were these two units already to your left?
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8 DETWILER: Ah, it was all si- I'm pretty sure it was all simultaneous. We were all pretty much
9 driving together and stopped pretty much like that.
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11 MORENO: Okay.
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13 DETWILER: So...
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15 MORENO: And what - and, ah, what - could you estimate the distance between where you
16 were standing to where the suspect was standing?
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18 DETWILER: Ten to 15 yards.
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20 MORENO: Was there anything that obstructed your view of the subject from where - the
21 position you were standing?
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23 DETWILER: No.
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25 MORENO: Again, if you can go into detail, what was the suspect doing when he exited his
26 car?
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28 DETWILER: He opened the door. He w- got out facing away from me. He began turning to the
29 right. I couldn't see his right hand at all. He - once he turned and faced me, that's
30 when I saw in his right hand, a silver handgun. And, ah, he began to raise it up. I
31 started giving him commands. He didn't follow my commands. And then I fired.
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33 MORENO: Okay. Um, what happened after you fired?
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35 DETWILER: Ah, it was, like - seemed, like, also super simultaneous, ah, he shot himself in the
36 head and he nearly fell down. Um, after he fell down he was propped up - still

1 sitting up, propped up against the door facing us, all me and my partners. Still
2 had the gun in his hand. Was still moving around. Um, we all - I mean, we were
3 giving - I was giving commands, "Drop the gun. Put your hands up." Um, wasn't
4 complying with any commands and he just stayed seated - seated there.
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6 MORENO: Okay. What did you do after that?
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8 DETWILER: Ah, after that, then once we formulated a plan, hey, we didn't have K9 available
9 to apprehend him. Um, we decided to utilize a less lethal option, a beanbag, ah,
10 to see if it would have any effect on him. Um, ah, so then I grabbed the beanbag
11 out of my truck and came to this side. And I fired the beanbag from here. Ah,
12 gave my announcements. Didn't - didn't respond. Ah, fired the beanbag and no
13 response. And then we formulated, ah, a stick and we approached, ah, with, ah -
14 ah, guard vehicle and then several of us in a stick. Like I said, ah, two hands out -
15 three hands on guys, I was less lethal and then Christianson had his, ah, rifle.
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17 MORENO: Okay. And just so I know, when you said you were standing out to the side, that
18 was to the left of the car with, ah, roof number 176, and that's where you - you
19 deployed the beanbag round.
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21 DETWILER: Correct.
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23 MORENO: Okay.
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25 DETWILER: Do you want me to put an X there?
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27 MORENO: Please.
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29 DETWILER: Yeah.
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31 MORENO: And how many beanbag rounds did you fire?
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33 DETWILER: Just one.
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35 MORENO: Did you see any reaction from the suspect?
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1 DETWILER: He had no reaction to the beanbag.
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3 MORENO: Where was he struck with the beanbag?
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5 DETWILER: When I shot, I initially thought it was, ah - ah, upper chest, and it - it hit him in
6 the face.
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8 MORENO: Okay. Um, prior to shooting the beanbag...
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10 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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12 MORENO: ...what did you see the suspect doing?
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14 DETWILER: Ah, he was still sitting in the same position. He still had his, ah, right hand gra-
15 still had the firearm in his - in his grasp, his - in his hand.
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17 MORENO: Okay. Prior to the beanbag were verbal commands given?
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19 DETWILER: Yes.
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21 MORENO: What were those commands?
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23 DETWILER: I believe I told him, "Drop the gun or else you're gonna get hit with the beanbag.
24 Ah, put your hands in the air." And then I said, "Beanbag, beanbag, beanbag,"
25 and then I fired the beanbag.
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27 MORENO: Okay. Um, as you exited your car...
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29 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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31 MORENO: ...which, ah, weapon did you - you said you grabbed - you exited with your M4
32 rifle?
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34 DETWILER: Yes, sir.
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36 MORENO: Why did you choose that weapon to exit the - exit, ah, the vehicle with?

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2 DETWILER: Ah, just during the pursuit I decided that's the weapon I'm most comfortable
3 with. I train with that weapon the most. Um, ah, I didn't like the way the speeds
4 were going. It was - like I said, my stress levels were high and that was a weapon
5 I'm comfortable with and - and, ah, I felt like that'd be, like, the most effective
6 weapon if I needed to use it for the - a situation that I was in.
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8 MORENO: After you exited your vehicle, um, or, what - and the suspect, um, was facing
9 away from you.
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11 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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13 MORENO: Was there any - was there any verbal commands given at that time?
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15 DETWILER: Yes.
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17 MORENO: What were those commands?
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19 DETWILER: Ah, I told him, "Show me your hands." And then once I saw the gun it was,
20 "Drop the gun. Drop the gun."
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22 MORENO: Okay. Um, when he came - when, ah, after the suspect came down...
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24 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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26 MORENO: ...and you were over by car 176.
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28 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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30 MORENO: Um, what was the suspect doing?
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32 DETWILER: He was still sitting with the gun in his hand.
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34 MORENO: Okay.
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36 DETWILER: Propped up against the door.

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2 MORENO: Was there - was he moving at all?
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4 DETWILER: Ah, at that time, by the time I got over here, um, I hadn't seen him move for, ah,
5 it might have been a minute.
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7 MORENO: Okay. Prior to you moving...
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9 DETWILER: Uh-huh.
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11 MORENO: Um, prior to you moving from your door to this side...
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13 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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15 MORENO: ...and after the shots were fired. What was - was the sus- what was the suspect
16 doing?
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18 DETWILER: He was still moving. There was mild movement in his hand and his head was
19 still moving around as well.
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21 MORENO: Okay. And, ah, and after you shot the - and you came to the passenger - to the
22 side of vehicle 176, what was the reason for using less lethal?
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24 DETWILER: Ah, to see if he would have any reaction to the less lethal, to see if there were
25 signs of life. Ah, ideally we'd want to have a K9 in that situation to go
26 apprehend. We didn't have a K9 available so we, ah, decided that we would use,
27 ah, a - a beanbag, less lethal round, and - to see if it had any effect on him, to see
28 if he was still alive. At that point, we could have come up with something
29 different, a different plan, but that's what we did in that moment.
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31 MORENO: Okay. Prior to the sh- to deploying the beanbag round, was the suspect still
32 moving?
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34 DETWILER: Yes.
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36 MORENO: Okay. Um, when suspect was standing up facing away from you...

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2 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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4 MORENO: ...um, and then you stated that as he turned he had a gun in his hand.
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6 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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8 MORENO: Would you describe that weapon for me that you saw when you were
9 (unintelligible).
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11 DETWILER: Yeah, it looked like, ah, a silver, ah, revolver type of, ah, gun.
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13 MORENO: And is that the same revolver that you saw in his hand still when you were
14 standing next to car 176?
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16 DETWILER: Yes.
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18 MORENO: When you were - we'll go back to the beanbag. When less lethal was, um,
19 chosen...
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21 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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23 MORENO: ...and you grabbed the beanbag and you fired one beanbag round...
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25 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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27 MORENO: ...was the suspect still moving when you fired the beanbag round at him?
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29 DETWILER: No.
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31 MORENO: So sometime...
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33 DETWILER: He was moving - he was moving when I was here.
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35 MORENO: Correct.
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1 DETWILER: Sometime, I don't - I was only here for my announcements and then - and then
2 the shot with the beanbag. So when I was over here at my unit for however long
3 that was, he was moving pretty much the entirety of that time. When I came over
4 here, I gave my announcements and I didn't see him moving as I shot my
5 beanbag. I did not see him moving. So I saw him moving here. Didn't see him
6 moving there.
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8 MORENO: Okay. How long were you standing here prior to shooting the beanbag round?
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10 DETWILER: It was probably pretty quick, ah, 30 seconds max.
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12 MORENO: Okay.
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14 DETWILER: I would think.
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16 MORENO: Mmm, ah, when you were standing at the passenger door...
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18 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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20 MORENO: ...um, after you fired the beanbag round...
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22 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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24 MORENO: ...and you struck him...
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26 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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28 MORENO: ...and he was not moving, what did you think? What was your - what was going
29 on through your - what was your thought process? What was going on in your
30 mind, um, with the suspect?
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32 DETWILER: Ah, at that point - well then we started formulating another plan to approach him.
33 So I went from firing, no effect, and then we moved onto our next thing, which
34 would be was trying to get in there as quick as we can and give him some first
35 aid and move - go from there, you know? Get the gun away from him and give
36 him first aid, medical.

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2 MORENO: Okay. Um, go back to when you were at your car with the rifle.
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4 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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6 MORENO: Okay? When suspect was standing outside.
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8 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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10 MORENO: Um, what were you aiming at when you fired a round?
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12 DETWILER: I was ai- aiming his - at his chest.
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14 MORENO: Okay. Um, and can you describe for me what was the imminent threat that you
15 perceived or you saw which forced you to make the decision to use deadly force
16 by shooting...
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18 DETWILER: Him...
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20 MORENO: ...your M4 rifle?
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22 DETWILER: Him shooting me or my partners or a bystander that could have been on the street
23 as well. He exited the vehicle. He raised a gun. He faced us raising a gun. And I
24 saw that as an imminent threat, especially when he raised the gun up. That's -
25 you're talking about, ah, you're talking about one little move and that's - he's
26 shooting at us. And when he's raising the gun up, I don't know what his - his
27 intentions are, you know? That's an imminent threat to my - I was in fear for my
28 life, my partner's lives and any bystanders that are - were around. You know, if
29 he was just gonna kill himself, he could have just killed himself in the car. He
30 didn't have to get out and then turn towards me with a gun, you know?
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32 MORENO: Correct.
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34 DETWILER: So as soon as he turned around raising a gun, um, and not listening to our
35 commands. 'Cause I know I gave him commands. That's, ah, an imminent threat
36 to me and my partners that - at that point.

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2 MORENO: Okay. Um, and you stated earlier you fired one round and, um, then you had a
3 misf- a malfunction?
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5 DETWILER: I did.
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7 MORENO: Okay. Um, after did - after your round that you fired, did you hear or see any
8 other shots fired?
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10 DETWILER: No.
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12 MORENO: Okay. Um, after you fired your round...
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14 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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16 MORENO: What did the suspect do?
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18 DETWILER: Ah, that's when he - I mean, that's where he ended up just sitting against the
19 door...
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21 MORENO: Okay.
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23 DETWILER: ...with his arm still - er, his hand still on the gun. His legs were kinda curled up
24 and his head was still moving around and his arm was still moving a little bit as
25 well.
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27 MORENO: Okay. Um, why - what made you, um, not fire any additional rounds?
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29 DETWILER: Ah, well my jam first of all. And then by the time I could get that - you know, or
30 transition, it was - he was already - he was just sitting on the ground. So it wasn't
31 - he was sitting on the ground. he wasn't actively picking the gun up, pointing it
32 towards us. So I didn't see a reason to have to fire again.
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34 MORENO: Okay. Um, after, um, the - the - like, you - you mentioned the stick approached
35 the suspect and the suspect was, um, disarmed.
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1 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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3 MORENO: Um, wh- was there, ah, medical aid rendered to the suspect?
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5 DETWILER: Yes.
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7 MORENO: Was that by, ah, Hemet Police Officers? Or was that from strictly Hemet Fire
8 and...
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10 DETWILER: No, initially it was, ah, PD - police officers. We were - they started CPR until
11 Medical arrived.
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13 MORENO: Okay.
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15 DETWILER: As soon as we disarmed him, they pulled him away and got him in, ah, detained
16 and then they immediately started, ah, CPR. I don't remember exactly who it
17 was, but I think it was, ah, Maker and, ah, Skow, two of the trainees, and then
18 Fedley too I think. So...
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20 MORENO: Okay. Ah, go back to, um, when you were standing here.
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22 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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24 MORENO: Um, can you describe in detail what you were seeing or what you saw the
25 moment you fired the one round.
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27 DETWILER: I saw the suspect with a gun potentially pointing it directly at me and my
28 partners, so I fired.
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30 MORENO: Um - um, could you hear or see any other gunshots?
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32 DETWILER: Outside of mine?
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34 MORENO: Yes.
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36 DETWILER: Ah, yeah, I heard, ah, his and then I heard a couple more as well. All - it was all -

1 it was a volley, it was all at once it seemed like. So...
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3 MORENO: Okay.
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5 DETWILER: There was multiple shots pretty much within, say, a span of a second and a half
6 or something like that. It was quick.
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8 MORENO: You got any questions? Um, when - after you fired the round...
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10 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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12 MORENO: ...the suspect you said was still s- in - in a s- you said slumped or seated.
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14 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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16 MORENO: Moving.
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18 DETWILER: Mm-hm.
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20 MORENO: Um, in your perception, was there still a threat from the suspect?
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22 DETWILER: Absolutely.
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24 MORENO: Describe what was the threat?
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26 DETWILER: Him still having - still moving and having a gun in his hand.
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28 MORENO: Okay. And based on that is when the decision was made for the beanbag?
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30 DETWILER: Correct.
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32 MORENO: All right. Um, we'll go ahead and take a break real quick. It is 7:32.
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INTERVIEW WITH DYLAN DETWILER

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DETWILER=Dylan Detwiler

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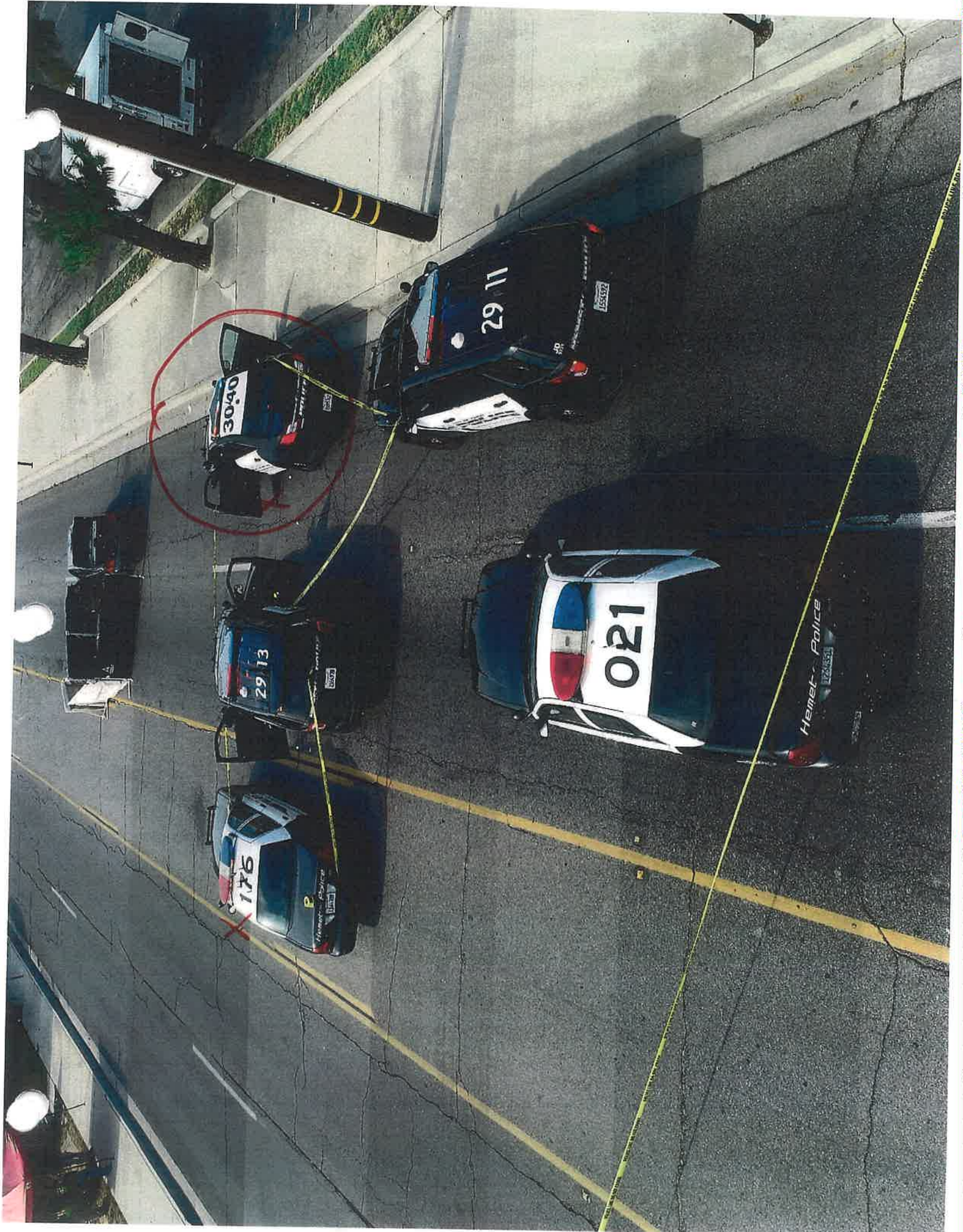
MORENO: Back on the record, its 7:37 pm. Um, still the same parties, um, in the interview room regarding an officer involved shooting, uh, Case Number DAR2020-230-001, and we are with, uh, Officer Dylan Detwiler. Um, Officer Detwiler, can you just put y- uh, sign and date - name and date the back of that for me?

DETWILER: Yes, sir. Like, signature or print?

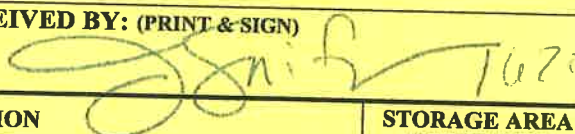

MORENO: Print your name is fine. Awesome, sir. And, we have no further questions, thank you.

DETWILER: Awesome, thank you.

MORENO: (Unintelligible) stop the recording a...



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03	01	INDR OFFICER INTERVIEWS OFFICERS REYNOSO, FEATHERLY, MAKER, SFAUG	
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