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On 04/02/20 I responded as a member of the Crisis Negotiator Team for a report of a barricaded suspect possibly in possession with a gun. The suspect was identified as 27 year old Jose Soto. I arrived at staging location of Nathan Hale Elementary School shortly after 2000 hours.

At some point, Sgt. Desso arrived to the staging area along with several family members of Soto. Also with the family was Carla Hanson, who is the mother of Jose's son. It was quickly discovered that Carla was on the phone with Jose. Carla entered my vehicle and placed Jose on speaker phone. Prior to knowing I was listening to the conversation, Jose made a comment to the nature of "the police will have to shoot me." At some point, Carla introduced me to Jose and he and I spoke via speaker phone. Jose again repeated his declaration that the police would have "come down to get me" and shoot him. Jose ended the phone call and Carla made several attempts to call and text him to get him back on the phone.

At some point, Jose answered the phone and he and I began speaking. He stated that he would not go back to jail and knew he would be going to jail for a long period of time. Jose was resistant to talking to me but eventually agreed to speak with me on the phone from the incident command vehicle. Carla reported she would not attempt to contact Jose for the remainder of the incident. Carla noted Jose recently terminated his parental rights to their 10 year old child.

In the incident command vehicle, I was assigned the role as lead negotiator and Enfield Officer Jaime Yott was assigned as my coach,

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listening in the conversation with Jose Soto. There were several phone calls with Jose Soto. During the calls, Jose repeatedly commented that law enforcement would have to "come and get him" and shoot him. During the first call, Jose indicated no fewer than six times that he wanted police to shoot him. When directly asked about having suicidal thoughts, Jose noted he was not planning on killing himself, but would have police shoot him. When questioned about his possession of a gun, Jose avoided directly answering the question and deflected the commentary by noting he would "draw up" on police and force them to shoot him.

Jose would often hang up the phone but would pick up upon call back. Jose was resistant to talking about his family. When presented with the concern his mother and younger sister were exhibiting by crying and pleading for him, he grew irate, stating he did not want to talk about them because it was time to talk about him. I attempted to find an emotional connection with Jose to any portion of his life. Jose was angered when conversation moved to family relationships, refused to speak about any current personal or legal issues. Several attempts were made to connect with Jose to illustrate that his current legal situation was temporary and urging him not to make the permanent decision of committing suicide via another person. Jose repeatedly returned to his knowledge that he was returning to prison and his unwillingness to do so. I attempted to engage Jose in a conversation about his life after his served time in prison but he repeatedly stated he would not go back to jail. I attempted to discuss the challenges he faced in jail, and if there were additional circumstances around his previous time served that may factor into his staunch resistance to returning. Although Jose did not discuss specific issues regarding his time incarcerated, he made comments stating he was not bad "like a pedophile." When attempting to discuss more about this comment, Jose said that I could speak to his family "after." Jose commented that he would be gone soon but that his family could tell police about the troubles of his life. Jose left little opportunity to find a connection and consistently repeated his plan to

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force police to shoot him. Throughout the conversation, Jose consistently stated his decision to force police to shoot him. Jose declared his desire to die no fewer than 50 times throughout our multiple phone conversations.

At some point, Jose increased the urgency in quickness in his voice, stating he was coming out of the house and would force the police to kill him. Prior to disconnecting, I told Jose to keep his hands over his head and slowly walk out the front door and await instructions. He ultimately slowed down and reengaged in the conversation.

Later in the conversation, Jose stated he had to make a choice. Jose asked me "Claire, what's it like talking to a man who is about to die?" Jose eventually ended the call. Jose waited a brief period of time and called the negotiator line in incident command. Jose apologized to me for being challenging to speak with. His volume of his voice softened and he noted he made his choice and was going outside and would make police shoot him. I told Jose to be safe and to keep his hands up over his head and walk out. Jose again apologized to me. I told Jose I would meet him outside of his home and he quickly interrupted me telling me not to come to his home. Jose said goodbye and told me he was turning off his phone. The phone call disconnected.

Numerous attempts to call and reestablish communication were made. The phone used by Jose Soto went to voicemail and was not answered. A period of time later we were informed Jose Soto was shot.

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**CELLULAR PHONE OF CARLA HANSON**

The cellular phone of Carla Hanson was seized. Western District Major Crimes Unit of Connecticut State Police was notified of the seizure and requested a copy of the downloaded report. I obtained a written consent to search the phone from Carla Hanson. The phone was taken by Sgt. Morrissey for analysis. On 04/03/20, the phone was returned to Carla Hanson at her home.

Please see Sgt. Morrissey's report regarding the examination of the phone. Of note, was a voicemail left by Jose Soto on the phone of Carla. The voicemail is transcribed below:

"Carla. This is me, Jay. The cops is at my mother's house on Oak Street. I'm a shoot it out with them, they gonna kill me. Tell JJ I love him. I'm sorry.[sic]"

The above information was shared with Manchester upper echelon and members of the tactical unit as the information was developed. Nothing further to report.

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