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**CASE/INCIDENT REPORT**

SUPPLEMENTARY

CFS NO 2000017671	DAY 5	INCIDENT DATE 04/02/2020	TIME 19:33	DATE OF RPT 04/24/2020	TIME OF RPT 17:10	TYPE OF INCIDENT ASSISTAG	INCIDENT CD ASSISTAG	INVESTIGATING OFFICER Sergeant Monge, Richard	BADGE NO 5208
DIVISION Patrol	DIVISION NO		REFERENCE DIVISION	REFERENCE DIVISION NO	CASE X-REFERENCE	UNIT ID 301	TYPIST MONGER	DATE TYPED 04/24/2020	TIME TYPED 17:10
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On 4/2/20 at approximately 1930 hours I received notification from Lt. Taylor that the Capitol Region Emergency Services Team (C.R.E.S.T.) would be mobilized to respond to an incident occurring in Manchester at #181 Oak Street. The information I received was that an armed male suspect had barricaded himself in the basement of his mother's home at #181 Oak Street. Shortly after, I received a phone call and text message through the Everbridge System indicating that a suspect with a firearm was barricaded inside of the residence and the staging area for this callout was at #160 Spruce St. (Nathan Hale School).

I arrived at Manchester H.Q a short time later and retrieved all of my callout gear and my cruiser. I then drove to the staging area and donned all of my callout gear while being briefed by Team Commander Lt. Buonanducci on the current situation. I am assigned as a Team Leader and it was my responsibility to gather the operators that had already arrived and assemble a Quick Reaction Force (QRF). A QRF is generally the first CREST Operators to arrive on any given scene, who respond directly to the location of the actual incident and are prepared to react to whatever might happen, such as a surrender or further escalation of violence. The QRF is often set in place while the rest of the CREST Team continues to arrive and team leadership and command form a more detailed plan of action.

Shortly after, I loaded in the Bearcat (CREST armored personnel carrier) as the Team Leader of the QRF, along with Ofc. Jerrad Johnson as the Assistant Team Leader, and Sgt. Shawn Krom as the Squad Leader. The following CREST operators also loaded in the Bearcat as part of the QRF: Ofc. Bycholski, Ofc. Diloreto (40mm less lethal launcher), Ofc. Levesque, Ofc. Mike Williams, Ofc. Dave Williams (Sniper), Jason Bak (Medic), and Steve Conley (Medic/Driver). The Bearcat then drove to the target location of 181 Oak Street to relieve

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patrol officers that were located in front of the home and on the inner perimeter. The bearcat drove on to the front lawn area of the residence near the front door and Sgt. Gaudino was secured in the Bearcat as operators took up lethal and less lethal coverage on the front and side of the home. Several spotlights mounted on the roof of the bearcat were used to illuminate the front door as well as several exterior windows of the target location.

Once in position, I notified Command of our location and was informed that CREST Negotiators were continuing to speak over the phone with the suspect. We were informed by Command that the suspect was alluding to "suicide by cop". An undetermined amount of time passed and command notified us that the Negotiators were again speaking with the suspect. Command informed us that the suspect stated that he was going to surrender and apologized several times before disconnecting the phone conversation.

Operators were stationed on both sides of the Bearcat, with lethal and less lethal coverage on the front door and the south and west facing sides of the home. As time passed it was determined that the suspect was not going to come out and possibly had disconnected his phone call with negotiators.

I continued giving updates to Command as well as receiving information from Command in regards to the ongoing negotiations over the phone with the suspect. After some time, Command notified us that the suspect claimed he was going to come out of the front door and draw his weapon on us. Command explained that he claimed he would force police on scene to shoot him. Command then stated that the suspect stated over and over again to the negotiator, "I'm sorry, I'm sorry". After a short amount of time it was again broadcast that the



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suspect was coming out of the house.

At that time, I was positioned behind Ofc. Alexander and Sgt. Krom who were both holding lethal coverage on the front door and west side of the home. Ofc. DiLoreto was beside me with the 40mm less lethal launcher. A CREST operator yelled that they saw movement at the front door and that the suspect might potentially be coming out. I then heard a loud "crack" sound come from the porch as the front door swung open very rapidly. Almost simultaneously, I observed the suspect charge outside in the direction where I was standing. As the suspect ran toward me and the other CREST operators, I observed him take his hands from his front waist area and punch his hands straight outward from his body at chest level as if he was holding and pointing a firearm at us. It seemed as though he was holding something black between his hands. I partially ducked my head behind the rear door of the Bearcat as I believed the suspect had fired upon us. I then heard and observed gunshots from the two CREST operators standing in front of me; Sgt. Krom and Ofc. Alexander. I observed the suspect fall backward onto the front porch. I did not engage the suspect with lethal force.

I began checking on the CREST operators, asking each one if they had been shot, as I believed the suspect shot at us. All operators responded that they were alright. I maintained a visual of the suspect on the porch and could see some movement from the suspect. I began giving the suspect commands to put his hands up. I then moved to the driver's side of the Bearcat and began forming a group that would make physical contact with the suspect, as he continued to not respond to any of our commands for compliance. I then requested that K9 Ofc. R. Johnson deploy his K9, Vito, as we moved up to the suspect's location on the porch.