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Saturday, August 13, 2022 King County District Court Case No.: 22-1-03537-1 Re: Evidence for Racial Hate Crime

Your Honor,

After receiving a copy of Officer Shield's incident report dated January 3rd, 2021 (Exhibit 1) I submitted a corrective document entitled *Victim's Rendering of the Incident Written from the Point of View of an Intake Officer* (January 12th, 2022). In this document (Exhibit 2) I described the *Nature of the Assault* with the following:

"The victim believes that the assault was that of a hate crime as there was no other apparent motivation for the two provocations and physical injury that resulted from the attack. The victim is unaware of having done anything to provoke his assailant's behavior other than protesting verbally for having been unnecessarily pushed during the first provocation, and turning around to address his assailant for having knocked the victim's item from his hand while both were standing in line facing the counter. The victim said or indicated nothing to provoke a racial exchange."

The video footage and the testimony of the witness will surely confirm the veracity of the reported facts. The purpose of the attached document entitled *Summary of Victims and Reported Parties by Sex and Race* (Exhibit 3) is to confirm the victim's sincerely held belief about the nature of his assailant's crime.

The data contained in the table was taken from documents provided by the Public Records Center of the City of Seattle in response to the following request (Exhibit 4):

- 1) A list of all incidents of arrest for which a formal report was filed with or by the SPD including the dates and nature of my alleged assailant's involvement in each incident.
- 2) A list of all formal SPD filings with a municipal, county, or federal attorney or other legal office for which my alleged assailant was the motivation or partial motivation for the filing including the date and office with which the filing was made, as well as the nature of the charge or complaint.

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- 3) As the rhetoric of my alleged assailant just before his attack was filled with racial hate speech, please include the race of each victim for each report deposited with or by the police regarding my alleged assailant.
- 4) Any other information that could shed light on my alleged assailant's criminal disposition.

The table clearly shows that all of the victims — either reported by the defendant while employed as a security guard or service station attendant, or by others for which the defendant was the alleged guilty party — are male and of some race other than that of the defendant. In those cases for which the race was listed as unknown, the victim was either unidentified or had racial features that do not fall neatly into the government's standard categories for defining race and ethnicity.

In only one case (2020-316712) of those cases in which the defendant was the reporting party was the person reported — either as the victim or alleged guilty party — of the same race as the defendant. In this case the defendant qualified the reported party as a *light-complected* Black male. The alleged party was never clearly identified.

According to the highlights of the Bureau of Justice Statistics's report entitled *Race and Hispanic Origin of Victims and Offenders*, 2012-15 published in October 2017 (see Weblinks below)

- 1. During 2012-15, half (51%) of violent victimizations were *intraracial*, that is both victims and offenders were the same race or both were of Hispanic origin.
- 2. In the majority of violent victimizations, white victims' offenders were white (57%) and black victims' offenders were black (63%).
- 3. The rates of total violent crime, serious violent crime, and simple assault were higher for *intraracial* victimizations than for *interracial* victimizations.

In effect, not only does the defendant's involvement in behavior exhibiting physical violence or threats thereof show a distinct racial bias, but that bias is seriously at odds with expected behavior in American society at large as it is applied to race and crime.

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According to the Department of Justice (see Weblinks below) a hate crime is defined as

"a crime motivated by bias against race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or disability."

In conclusion, there is strong evidence that my original take on the nature of my assailant's criminal attack is correct — namely, that the attack was racially motivated. Accordingly, I request that the court give serious consideration to the obvious racial bigotry of my assailant and treat his attack on my person as a hate crime.

Sincerely

Roddy A. Stegemann, A.B., M.A., M.A.

Founding Director kiusau@me.com

Weblinks:

United States Department of Justice. Learn About Hate Crimes https://www.justice.gov/hatecrimes/learn-about-hate-crimes

United States Bureau of Justice Statistics. Race and Hispanic Origin of Victims and Offenders, 2012-15. NCJ Number 250747. Rachel E. Morgan, Ph.D., BJS Statistician https://bjs.ojp.gov/library/publications/race-and-hispanic-origin-victims-and-offenders-2012-15

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Report Number 2022-002037 - Incident / Offense Report Report									
REPORT DATE / TIME	PRECINCT / SECTOR / BEAT / RA / SUBDIVISION 5		CAD EVENT START DATE / TIME - CAD EVENT END DATE / TIME						
Jan 3, 2022 12:00	E/E/E3/11480		Jan 3, 2022 10:15						
REPORT WRITER									
JOHN SHIELDS #8714			- L - 1						
REPORT TAKEN LOCATION		FXI	ibit 1						
1024 MADISON ST, SEAT	TLE, WA 98104								

NARRATIVE

REPORTING PARTY-1
REPORTING PARTY-1 (PERSON)

R-1 stegemann, roddy

Male

White / Not Hispanic Or Latino

On the listed date and time, the victim stated he was inside of small grocery store purchasing a few items. While standing in the store (very small in space) an unknown African American male entered the store. Victim stated the male had plenty of room to walk pass him, but instead intentionally bumped him knocking the belongings from his hand. Victim stated he realized this act was 100 percent intentional and approached the unknown male to verbalize he did not appreciate the act.

Per the victim, when he addressed the situation, the male begin yelling about the race of the victim. The unknown male became more irate and struck the victim in the face knocking him to the ground. Victim stated once the offender realized he was defeated, he then got in line and made a purchase and left the store.

When speaking with the victim, he believes the assault absolutely occurred because of his race and the words yelled at him by the offender. After the offender left, the victim was able to obtain video of the incident from the surveillance system. Victim was provided an Incident number and officer contact.

(206) 291-8468 (primary, Mobile Phone)

PHONE NUMBER

DOB / ESTIMATED AGE RANGE

1949-12-13

HOME ADDRESS									
909 BOREN AVE, SEATTLE, WA 98104									
REPORTING PARTY SIGNATURE									
OFFENSE-1									
OFFENSE CODE									
RCW - 9A.36.041 ASSAULT - ASSAULT 4									
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Personal Weapons (hands, fist, feet, arms	s, teeth, etc.)		Race/ethnicity/ancestry - Anti-White						
GANG INFORMATION									
No Gang Involvement/Unknown									
OFFENSE LOCATION									
LOCATION NAME / STREET ADDRESS/LOCATION NAME / APT,	UNIT, STE / DESCRIPT	ION							
1024 MADISON ST									
CITY	STATE		ZIP		COUNTRY CODE				
SEATTLE	WA		98104	US					
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JOHN SHIELDS #8714			JOSHUA GOODWIN #7564						

Seattle Police Department

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VICTIMS-1 NAM	ME (LAST, FIRST MIDDLE)			DOB / ESTIMATED AGE RANGE			
V-1 steger	mann, roddy		1949-12-13				
SEX	RACE / ETHNICITY						
Male	White / Not Hispanic Or Latino	468 (primary, M	obile Phone)				
HOME ADDRESS	S						
909 BORE	N AVE, SEATTLE, WA 98104						
VICTIM IS OFFIC	CER						
☐ YES ■	NO						
SUSPECTS	G-1						
SUSPECTS-1 NA	AME (LAST, FIRST MIDDLE)						
S-1 UNKN	OWN, UNKNOWN						
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REPORT NUMB	ER						
2022-0020	037						
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roddy ste	gemann			1949-12-13			
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WHERE INJURE	'		DESCRIPTION OF INJ	JRY			
Left Foot	Apparent Minor In	jury	brusing				
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NAME		RELATIONSHIP		SUBJECT			
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ELECTRONICAL	LY SIGNED	DATE		PLACE			
JOHN SHIE	:I ns	01/03/2022	,	Seattle, WA			

REPORTING OFFICER SIGNATURE / DATE	SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE / DATE					
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JOHN SHIELDS #8714	JOSHUA GOODWIN #7564					

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Exhibit 2

Wednesday, January 12, 2022 Re: Victim Follow-Up

Victim's Rendering of Incident Written from the Point of View of an Intake Officer

Witness: Laurence Stusser

1024 Madison Street

Seattle, Washington 98104 Mobile: (206) 550-6591 Store: (206) 623-0849

First Provocation

On the listed date and time (see form), the victim stated to have been standing in a checkout line inside a small shop called Plaza Select Grocery Store off the corner of Boren Avenue and Madison Street, when an unidentified male of apparent West African racial origin entered the store and sought to pass the victim with physical insistence rather than verbal request. According to the victim there appeared to be sufficient room for his assailant to pass, but even if there were not, he felt that he was being pushed out of the way to make room for his assailant when a simple verbal request would have been sufficient to make additional room, if it were necessary. A brief oral exchange took place in which the assailant was told that he was "looking for trouble". Whereupon the assailant continued about his business and the victim remained in line waiting to be checked out.

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As the aisle in which the victim's assailant sought his item (it was later confirmed to be a can or bottle of beer by the store owner) was adjacent to the aisle in which the queue had formed, it was easy to overhear the victim's assailant ranting in vulgar language mixed with racial slurs including "nigger" and "white boy".

After obtaining his item, the victim's assailant stood behind the victim in silence. The victim remained calm and continued to look forward.

Second Provocation and Struggle

After many seconds, the item that the victim was carrying in his right hand was knocked to the floor from behind by the victim's assailant. When the victim turned around with good haste to address his assailant, this latter took two swings at the victim the last of which knocked the victim to the ground. As he was falling the victim struggled to maintain his consciousness, but when he tried to stand, found it difficult. Whereupon his assailant pushed the victim back to the ground while issuing racial epithets at him. Apparently satisfied that his victim was no longer a threat to him, the victim's assailant returned to the line.

As the victim tried to stand a second time, he realized that his foot had been badly injured such that he could not walk properly. He regained his position in line — this time behind and distant from his assailant. The owner-cashier of the shop served the victim's assailant, and this latter left the store looking over his shoulder as he departed. Whereupon the victim made his purchase and returned home where he discovered a badly bruised left cheek and an already very swollen and bruised left foot and ankle.

Nature of the Assault

The victim believes that the assault was that of a hate crime as there was no other apparent motivation for the two provocations and physical injury that resulted from the attack. The victim is unaware of having done anything to provoke his assailant's behavior other than protesting verbally for having been unnecessarily pushed during the first provocation, and turning around to address his assailant for having knocked the victim's item from his hand while both were standing in line facing the counter. The victim said or indicated nothing to provoke a racial exchange.

After his assailant left, the victim was able to obtain video and audio footage of the incident from the shop's surveillance system, as well as the customer receipt generated

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by the assailant's consummated purchase. According to the victim the shop owner is willing to testify on the victim's behalf.

Post-Incident Reporting

The victim was informed that he could sent a copy of the store receipt and a photo of his assailant to spd8714@seattle.gov. The victim indicated that he was in contact with his physician and that a medical report would be forthcoming.

In addition, I would like to confirm my having sent a photographic image of my assailant as well as the aforementioned store receipt (debit card purchase) to the following email address

spd8714@seattle.gov

on January 3, 2022.

Sincerely,

Roddy A. Stegemann, A.B., M.A., M.A. Founding Director kiusau@me.com

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Exhibit

Summary of Victims and Reported Parties by Sex and Race

				Victim			Reported Party			Reporting Party or Witness				
Report No.	Date	Day	Time	Sex	Race	Name	Sex	Race	Name	Sex	Race	Name	Nature of Reported Incident	
2020-209271	July 9, 2020	Thursday	17:56				М	Al	M James	М	В	D M Arnett	Malicious Mischief	
2020-223644	July 26, 2020	Monday	23:00	М	W	D Jahraus	M	A/NH	M Richard	М	В	D M Arnett	D M Arnett reports incident while employed as service attendant at gas station.	
2020-298285	October 19, 2020	Monday	23:59	М	U	Owner of stolen vehicle	М	U	V West	М	В	D M Arnett	D M Arnett testifies as employee of gas station and witness to reported parties behavior — car theft.	
							F	W	K Hangar					
2020-316712	November 10, 2020	Tuesday	17:57			Owner of gas station.	М	В	Unknown	М	В	D M Arnett	Reports a theft committed by a black male with light complexion.	
2021-015094	January 18, 2021	Monday	22:48	М	W	Transient person	М	В	D M Arnett	М	U	A Grund	D M Arnett was reported assaulting a transient White male.	
2021-053223	March 4, 2021	Thursday	0:04	М	W/NH	A. Robinson	М	В	D M Arnett			Victim	Noise. D M Arnett was accused of assault by a drunk.	
2021-092705	April 17, 2021	Saturday	2:24	М	U/NH	O. Abu-Assaf	М	В	D M Arnett				Apparently D M Arnett used BB gun to	
				М	U/NH	R. Ghozell							physically assault the victims. One of the victims received a laceration to the face.	
2021-142408	June 9, 2021	Wednesday	7:00				F	W/NH	S Smith	F	W/NH	S Miano	D M Arnett responds to noise by Smith	
							М	В	D M Arnett				with threat of brutality	
2021-318383	December 2, 2021	Thursday	13:27	М	W/NH	J. Thompson	М	В	D M Arnett			Victim	Noise. D M Arnett threatened to kill dog. Though not a tenant D M Arnett accused of yelling at tenants by manager.	
2022-002037	December 30, 2021	Thursday	16:30	М	W	R. Stegemann	М	В	D M Arnett			Victim	2nd Degree Assault	
2022-028808	February 3, 2022	Thursday	15:37	М	A/NH	J Singh	М	В	D M Arnett			Victim and Supervisor	D M Arnett confronts victim, knock cell phone from victim's hand, and pushes him.	
													Arnett's vehicle does not belong to Arnett and has expired tabs.	
2022-098660	April 20, 2022	Wednesday	13:03	М	W/H	B M Zarco- Navarro	М	В	D M Arnett	F	W/H	Matias-Martinez	Arnett became frustrated, started yelling, flipped a chair, called a staff member a bitch. Later threatened violence.	
													Arnett's vehicle registered in another's name.	

Exhibit 4



Roddy Stegemann A.B., M.A., M.A.

Re: Public Records Center - Police :: P090824-041822

To: City of Seattle Public Records Request Center, Cc: Alan Cruise

May 31, 2022 at 4:39 PM

Details

Hi, Marina!

I have received your notification that my request has been closed.

That we be clear on the matter of who closed it. On 4/26 I was told that you could not process my request because the investigation was not complete. At this time, I was also told to submit a new request in six to eight weeks. I understood this to mean wait and contact us again. This is what I did. At no time was I told that my initial request had been closed.

I should also make it clear that I was able to obtain information about my case already in January and no one complained that the case was still under investigation.

Now, I understand that you are very busy, but making me wait an entire week just to tell me that by the phrase "new request", you meant "new formal online request" is a bit much, don't you think. And this, in light of the fact that the initial request was made on April 18, more than six weeks ago.

Up until now we have had a very good correspondence with email, so it is my hope that it will continue.

This said, I am now reluctant to submit a "new formal online request" for fear that: one, it will be rejected because it was not submitted properly; and two, that I will have to wait still another week to learn of its rejection. In an effort to help me overcome my fear could you please explain PRECISELY how and where my new formal online request should be submitted?

The place where my most recent formal online request was submitted did not appear to be tailored to my needs. I submitted it there, because I could not find what appeared to be a better place.

The nature of my request will be as follows:

- 1) A list of all incidents of arrest for which a formal report was filed with or by the SPD including the dates and nature of my alleged assailant's involvement in each incident.
- 2) A list of all formal SPD filings with a municipal, county, or federal attorney or other legal office for which my alleged assailant was the motivation or partial motivation for the filing including the date and office with which the filing was made, as well as the nature of the charge or complaint.
- 3) As the rhetoric of my alleged assailant just before his attack was filled with racial hate speech, please include the race of each victim for each report deposited with or by the police regarding my alleged assailant.
- 4) Any other information that could shed light on my alleged assailant's criminal disposition.

On May 31, 2022, at 11:41 AM, City of Seattle Public Records Request Center <seattle@mycusthelp.net> wrote:

This has been a closed PDR request since 4/26/22. You will need top create a new request since we are unable to reopen the closed request.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Please, no hard feelings in regard to the obvious miscommunication.

I can only hope that things improve with the passage of time.

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