

Witness Statement Form

Incident Date: 01/17/2024 Time: 1849

Address of Occurrence: 7702 Canton Ave

Incident # 2024-015839

Officer Name: P.O. Bryan Peters

District: 4 Zone: 1

Citizen Name: Robert Perkins

Badge# 1300

Bureau/District P.O. / 4 Platoon C

Witness Statement

Sir,

On Wednesday, January 17th, 2024, while assigned to 4A38, P.O. Reynolds #1236 and I received a radio broadcast to respond to 7702 Canton avenue for a code one shot spotter alert at 1849 hours.

Upon our arrival, we were touring Spafford road traveling in a S/B direction in Z/C 422. As we were touring the area multiple shots were heard coming from the S/B direction. I had advised CCS that shots were heard in the area. As we approached the intersection of Canton avenue and Spafford road, I observed a house located on the Southernwestern corner. This house was playing extremely loud music and had a green neon sign in the the window stating "fair warning today will be the end". We then had met with 4S33 Sgt. Wills #9321. Dispatch had then advised that they recieved a call from Roger Starling (24-016109) advising that his neighbor was shooting multiple rounds. As were were trying to identify where the shots came from multiple shots were heard within close proximity.

We then proceeded to take cover near the intersection of E75th street and Canton avenue, and requested additional units to respond. Swat along with various other support units had arrived on scene and attempted to make contact with the the individual inside, later identified as Robert Perkins (SUSPECT). Cleveland Swat and County Sheriffs department had arrived on scene. Robert had refused multiple request from the Swat teams to come to the door. Robert began playing loud music and saying various phrases into a microphone he had contacted to a loud speaker. Robert was stating he was ready to die and there is no good people left in the world. At approximately 02010 hours, Robert had begun to fire an assault rifle from his home. Robert had fired multiple rounds causing the officers on scene to take additional coverage.

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Robert had also to fired his assault riffle at the Swat team Bearcat vehicles, which multiple officers were inside the vehicles at the time in front of the home. P.O. [REDACTED] (SWAT [REDACTED] and P.O. [REDACTED] (SWAT [REDACTED] had returned fire from the Bearcat vehicle in Roberts direction. After a brief period of time, Swat had made entry into the home and began to render aid. Medic #11 had arrived on scene to convey Robert to Metro Hospital for his injuries. Dr. Claridg had called TOD at 0306 hours.

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