



**Ohio Attorney General's Office  
Bureau of Criminal Investigation  
Investigative Report**



2024-4082

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 303 S. Main Street,  
Celina, OH 45822

**Investigative Activity:** Case Opening  
**Involves:** Moses Alik  
**Activity Date:** 12/31/2024  
**Activity Location:** 303 S. Main St. Celina, OH 45822  
**Authoring Agent:** SA Douglas Burke #162

**Narrative:**

On Tuesday, December 31, 2024, at approximately 04:00 hours, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested by Sheriff Jeff Grey of the Mercer County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) to conduct an independent investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding an officer-involved critical incident which occurred in the area of 303 S. Main St., Celina, OH. BCI Special Agent Douglas Burke (SA Burke) responded to assist, arriving at approximately 05:00 hours. Also, responding from the BCI Special Investigations Unit were Special Agent Supervisor Scott Stranahan, Special Agents Tiffany Najmulski, Jason Synder, and Ryan Emahiser. Additionally, the BCI Crime Scene Unit was requested to process the scene by documenting and collecting pertinent evidence, Special Agent Dave Hammond responded to the scene.

The shooting incident involved a subject, Moses Alik (Moses), and a member of the Mercer County Sheriff's Office. The incident resulted in the death of Moses.

The investigation was initiated, and it is anticipated that multiple interviews and gathering of reports and captured video will be required.

A copy of the request for assistance letter is attached to this investigative report.

**Attachments 01: Request for Assistance Letter from the Mercer County Sheriff's Office**

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January 2, 2025

Special Agent Stranahan  
750 N. College Drive  
Bowling Green, OH 43402

Ref: Deputy Involved Shooting

Dear Agent Stranahan,

As you are aware, you and your agents responded at my request to shooting involving one of my deputies in the early morning of December 31, 2024. Please accept this letter as my formal request for BCI&I to handle the investigation.

Also, as you are aware, I will be retiring on Sunday, January 5, 2025 and Sheriff-elect Timmerman will be the new Mercer County Sheriff. Sheriff-elect Timmerman, who is my current Chief Deputy, has been involved in the decision to ask for your investigation and he concurs.

We have assigned Lieutenant Hamberg from our detective section to be BCI&I's contact with the Mercer County Sheriff's Office for whatever records, reports, etc that you may need to assist your investigation.

Should you have any questions, please reach out to me or Sheriff-elect Timmerman.

Thank you.

  
Jeff Grey  
Sheriff

  
Doug Timmerman  
Sheriff-elect