

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



2023-1792 Officer Involved Critical Incident - I-70 at Mound Street, Columbus, OH

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness

Involves: Nasrudin Abdisalan Mahamud (W)

Date of Activity: 07/06/2023

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Narrative:

On Thursday, July 06, 2023 at approximately 1900 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Kyle Douglass (SA Douglass) interviewed Nasrudin Mahamud (Nasrudin), relative to the Columbus Division of Police (CPD) officer-involved shooting which took place on Thursday, July 6, 2023. The interview took place on scene at I-70 near Mound Street in Columbus, OH. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information of the incident known or observed by this individual. Nasrudin was identified as a witness of the incident. Nasrudin was accompanied by two male juveniles and an adult female named Dati Mohamed, who Nasrudin identified as his mother. Nasrudin added his mother is not fluent in English.

The interview was audio recorded, and a copy of the recording was saved electronically within the case file. Please refer to the recording for specific quotes. The following is a summation of the interview.

Nasrudin was traveling eastbound on I-70 towards downtown Columbus. Nasrudin was in the far right lane when his mother started screaming because someone was driving erratically. Nasrudin evaded a black Porsche SUV, which slammed into the concrete barrier on the right side of the road. The driver of the black Porsche SUV lost control and the vehicle came to a stop in the middle of the freeways lanes.

After the black Porsche SUV came to a stop, Nasrudin saw two individuals exit the vehicle and flee the scene. Nasrudin did not see firearms or any other objects in their hands as they ran away. "Then the gunshots started going off," Nasrudin stated. Nasrudin and the other occupants of his vehicle ducked their heads down.

Nasrudin's mother saw a third individual exit the black Porsche with a gun in his hand. Nasrudin heard multiple gunshots. Nasrudin heard police yelling verbal commands to the Porsche driver. Nasrudin saw a CPD officer run towards the black Porsche and fired his weapon at the armed driver. Nasrudin reversed his vehicle to distance himself from the gunfire. After reversing his

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vehicle, Nasrudin looked back towards the black Porsche and saw the driver walking towards CPD officers. Nasrudin stated, "I seen him walking, standing there, just like it was over with, like he didn't care about nothing else, it was over." Nasrudin explained the Porsche driver staggered and then fell to the ground.

Nasrudin said he heard someone say a CPD officer was struck by gunfire, and Nasrudin saw a CPD officer down on the ground. Other CPD officers evacuated the wounded officer from the scene in a police vehicle. Nasrudin assumed the Porsche driver was the one who shot the CPD officer because the other two individuals who exited the Porsche had already fled the scene.

Nasrudin witnessed multiple CPD officers performing CPR and first aid to the Porsche driver after he was down on the ground. Nasrudin was asked how much time CPD officers spent rendering medical aid to the Porsche driver. Nasrudin responded, "They really tried, even though one of their people got shot, they really tried." Nasrudin said CPD officers continued first aid on the Porsche driver until paramedics arrived. "They didn't give up on him," Nasrudin stated.

Nasrudin observed other responding CPD officers chased the two other individuals who had fled the scene. Nasrudin observed all three of the individuals who exited the black Porsche were average-sized males wearing black clothing.

Nasrudin estimated the entire incident lasted a few minutes. Nasrudin's vehicle did not appear to be damaged and nobody inside the vehicle was injured.

Interview concluded 1920 hours.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Nasrudin Mahamud Interview Audio 07.06.2023

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