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**Evidence Submission Sheet
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Offense:
Homocide/Use of Deadly Force

Date of Offense:
12/23/21

Location: (City-county)
Akron / Summit

Subject(s): (Name, Race, Sex, DOB)
James Gross W/M 58 (07/02/63)

Victim(s): (Name, Race, Sex, DOB)
James Gross W/M 58 (07/02/63)

Submitting Agency:
Akron Police Department

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Latent Prints	Chemistry	DNA	Trace	Firearms	Documents	Other
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Please List Individual Items and Examinations Requested:

Please Attach a Synopsis of the Case to Assist the Examiner

Property ID# 14020: One Glock model 17 9mm Pistol (Serial # BBDC582) and magazine, which was inserted in the firearm, at the time it was fired.

- The magazine contained fifteen 9mm luger Speer Gold Dot cartridges.
- One 9mm luger Speer Gold Dot cartridge was chambered in the firearm.

The firearm, magazine, and cartridges were packaged in the same gun box. These items were collected by Sgt. Miller on scene at 2470 26th St SW.

Property ID# 14081: DNA blood standard card collected from James Gross (decedent) by the Medical Examiner during his autopsy. It is packaged in a brown manila envelope.

Property ID# 14083: One bullet projectile collected by the Medical Examiner during James Gross's autopsy. It is packaged in a small white box inside a manila envelope.

Property ID# 14085: One fingerprint card collected by the Medical Examiner during James Gross's autopsy. It is packaged inside a manila envelope.

Property ID# 14096: One bullet projectile collected from a mattress located at the scene of the shooting (2470 26th St SW). It was collected by BCI Agent Staley and packaged inside a manila envelope.

Property ID# 14097: Two 9mm Speer Luger cartridge casings collected from the scene (2470 26th St SW) by BCI Agent Staley and packaged inside a manila envelope.

Property ID# 14094: One folding knife collected from the scene (2470 26th St SW) by BCI Agent Staley. Unknown how it is packaged.

Property ID# 14093: One knife imprinted with the logo, "Keep America Great," collected by BCI Agent Staley from underneath James Gross's left leg, which was at the foot of the bed, and located inside the scene (2470 26th St SW). Unknown how it is packaged.

Property ID# 14241: One glass meth pipe collected by Officer Urdiales 1271 from James Gross's bedroom, which was adjacent from the bedroom where he was shot at 2470 26th St SW. It is packaged inside a sealed clear plastic bag.

On December, 23rd 2021 around 03:43 hours James Gross took his estranged wife hostage with a knife at 2470 26th St SW. Officers responded to the scene and tried several different measures to peacefully resolve the incident. James Gross's actions grew more bizarre and unpredictable as time passed and officers were forced to make entry into the home, shared by James Gross, his estranged wife, and two other occupants. Officers entered the home and located the upstairs bedroom where James was holding his wife hostage with a knife, which was pressed against her throat. One officer fired his Taser and it was not completely effective on him. James still had control of the knife and went to stab his wife. This forced another officer to shoot James twice from close range, ending the incident and killing James instantly. His wife was not harmed during the incident.

Please compare the bullet projectile collected from James Gross's body and the other collected from the scene to the listed firearm.

Please compare the recovered cartridge casings to the listed firearm.

Please compare both knives for the presence of comparable DNA.

Please examine the recovered meth pipe for comparable fingerprint impressions.

Date/Time returned	Form Filled Out By:	Is Subject(s) in Custody? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Date of Trial or Hearing:	Evidence Location:
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