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Director Jacqui MacConnell
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RE: R17-04 – Training Referral

Dear Director MacConnell,

In the course of case review and certification, I came across a driving complaint against an unknown officer. Internal Affairs investigators were not able to tie the complained upon incident to a specific officer. However, in this particular complaint, department roll call training was recommended to supervisors and the speeding concern was addressed through the Spring in-Service training.

This case was an instance where the department went beyond what policy required and took proactive measures to address an officer/citizen safety concern from the community. Closing this case as an 'Inquiry' or 'Administratively Suspended' does not adequately capture the positive initiative the department took. I recommend that training referral be added as a formal category in the classification of complaints. Classifying complaints as "Inquiry, Training Referral," will aid in tracking the number of instances the department took such action for reporting functions. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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From: Logue, Bart
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 1:31 PM
To: Omana, Luvimae
Subject: Recommendation closed by Training

Bart reviewed C17-016/OPO 17-9. Recommended to Internal Affairs that instead of Administratively Suspending this case, we adjust policy 1020 to include training referrals as a disposition. This was a concern about officers speeding in patrol cars. The complaint could not be tied to a specific officer, but department roll call training was recommended to supervisors and speed was addressed in the Spring in-Service training. I feel that closing this complaint as an inquiry or administratively suspended would not show the proactive work that had already been done to address an officer safety / citizen safety concern.



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