



SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

CHIEF OF POLICE

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F19-021
Incident Number: 2019-20039472
Date of Incident: 3/6/2019
Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

Officers responded to a Suspicious Circumstances call. The caller reported an argument at the neighbors' apartment involving up to 25 people. Officers contacted the residents and found that one of the roommates had warrants, including a felony Department of Corrections (DOC) Assault warrant. The suspect was barricaded inside his bedroom of his residence. For about an hour, SPD officers tried to convince the suspect to come out of the room, but they were unable to convince him to surrender. The suspect was very agitated and said he would fight officers and any police K9. He requested his DOC officer. The DOC officer spoke with him on the phone and arrived on-scene but the suspect still refused to come out. The SPD supervisor authorized force; an officer deployed two Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) canisters through a window to force the suspect out. Officers forced the bedroom door open at the same time. The suspect became compliant and allowed officers to handcuff him. Officers transported the suspect to jail and booked him for his warrants as well as Resisting Arrest.

