



SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE

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Closed Use of Force Summary

Tracking Number: F21-047
Incident Number: 2021-20147003
Date of Incident 9/6/2021
Chain of Command Finding: In Compliance with Policy

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

SWAT responded to an armed barricaded male at a residence. Investigating officers had developed probable cause and had obtained a search warrant for Unlawful Possession of a Firearm and Felony Domestic Violence Order Violation. The suspect was believed to be inside the basement armed with a semi-automatic handgun. He was not responding to police announcements over the public address system, nor responding to a Noise Flash Distraction Device, nor a barking K9. Officers also used a robot and a drone in an attempt to communicate with the suspect. Officers deployed two T-16 canisters of OC (pepper spray) and OC Pepper Balls into the basement to illicit a response. There was no response, and the team eventually cleared the residence. The suspect was not located inside. A decontamination notification was posted at the residence.

