

North Eastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council

AFTER-ACTION REPORT

Call-out

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	EMERGENCY CALL-OUT				PLANNED EVENT						

Location: █ Hillcrest Lowell	Date: 01/16/2014
Begin Time: 1500	End Time: 2200
# Personnel Responding: 15	On-scene Commander Lt. Chaput

Call-out Summary:

Assist Lowell PD with execution of search warrant at above location.

Events/Items of Note:

See after action reports

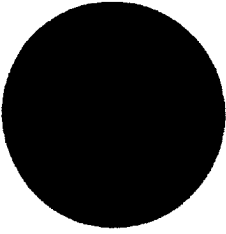
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Submitted By: Lt. Chaput

Submitted Date: 01/30/2014

Control Chief _____
Signature

Date: _____



Northeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council

Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT)

Chief Michael R. Begonis
Control Officer
Wilmington Police Dept.

Lt. Stephen D. Chaput
Commanding Officer
Dracut Police Department

Sgt. Patrick Towle
Officer-in-Charge
Bedford Police Dept.

TO: Sgt. Patrick Towle, Bedford Police
FROM: Sgt. James Fay, Lowell Police
DATE: January 16, 2014
SUBJ: SWAT callout to Lowell

On January 16, 2014 the NEMLEC SWAT team received a request for service from the Lowell Police Department and the DEA Cross Borders Initiative task force. The agencies requested the use of the SWAT team in order to serve a KNOCK AND ANNOUNCE search warrant for drugs. Additional information had been received that the target of the warrant may be in possession of a firearm and possibly involved in a recent shooting. At this time the team was already operational in Woburn, MA assisting another drug task force. A pre-designated team was dispatched to Lowell.

The team responding to Lowell consisted of the following operators:

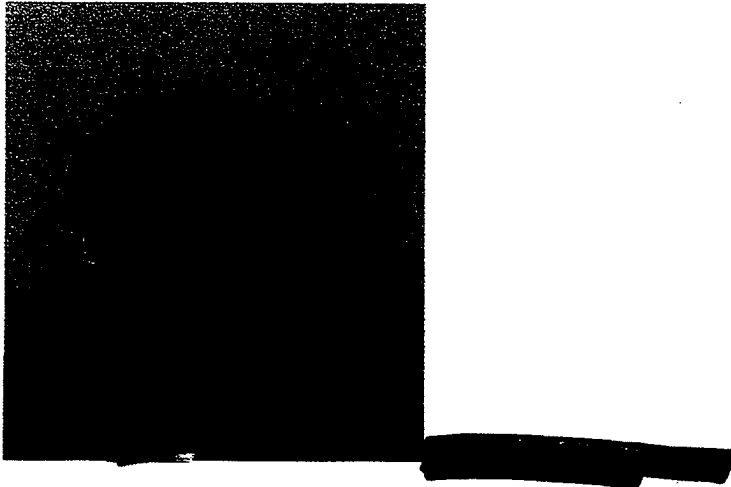
1. DiChiara- long arm, taser
2. Gualtieri- long arm
3. Bourque- 40mm less lethal
4. Max- long arm, taser
5. Fay-TL
6. Carlson-long arm
7. Cogswell- less lethal shotgun
8. Dorsey- bearcat operator
9. Fuller- rear security
10. Dicker- ram

MSO Component

1. Kareles, G-long arm
2. Slauta,D- long arm
3. Irving, C-long arm
4. Gianino, Sgt- TL
5. Lavita, J-long arm

Upon arriving to Lowell PD at approximately 1710hrs the team was briefed by Detective Raymond Cormier of the Lowell Police Department(Task Force Agent with Cross Borders Initiative)

The target of the operation was identified as one [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Hillcrest Drive in Lowell. [REDACTED] was believed to be in possession of a semi-automatic handgun. [REDACTED] is an admitted past leader of the Lowell chapter of the Latin Kings street gang. [REDACTED] was believed to be selling illegal drugs from his residence. As a result CBI conducted an investigation and as a result obtained search warrant [REDACTED] for the residence of [REDACTED] Hillcrest Drive in Lowell.



The structure was identified as the left side of a duplex located at the end of Hillcrest Drive on a Cul De Sac. Information provided by team intelligence provided a layout of the apartment.



Due to several factors a reconnaissance was not conducted. The secluded location on a Cul De Sac, possible presence of surveillance cameras, the ongoing activity in and out of the residence, and the need to swiftly locate the target due to some of his associates having just been arrested, were all reasons for the foregoing of a drive by. The intelligence received from photos as well as the layout information provided a clear enough assessment of the target location for the team.

Upon being briefed the current Situation, the team continued with an operations order outlining the mission, execution. The mission for the team was to conduct a knock and announce entry at the premises in order to facilitate detectives executing their search warrant. The concept of the operation called for the team to move via bearcat to the target address on a pre designated route. Upon reaching the location the Alpha team would approach the main front entry door located on Side 1. The MSO contingent (blue van) would deploy to the Side 3 rear slider and stand by for a breach and hold on command. The Side 1 team would be primary entry.

Upon completion of the Operations Order the team conducted a rehearsal at LPD. The team then began movement to the target location. Support elements included
IMAT (Vinciulla, Russo)
CNT. (Peaslee, Fogarty)
Medical Support (Regan)

Nearing the target location a reverse five count was given. At the target location the initiate command was given. At approximately 1740hrs the team dismounted and proceeded to the front main door of Hillcrest Drive. Operator DiChiara provided door security. A knock and announcement was given. After a reasonable amount of time the door was breached by Operator Dicker. The team proceeded to enter and located two adult males and one adult female in the living room immediately on the right. The two males were and female were cuffed due to the recent information provided about a possible firearm and possible involvement in a shooting. The parties were identified as:

1. [REDACTED] (TARGET), cuffed by Operator Carlson
2. [REDACTED] (girlfriend of Associate) cuffed by Operator Cogswell
3. [REDACTED] (Associate of Target) cuffed by Operator DiChiara

As the team proceeded upstairs two children came to the main hallway. They were called out by Operator Bourque. They were later identified as the target's children.

1. [REDACTED] age 8
2. [REDACTED] age 11

The children were immediately removed from the dwelling by CNT Fogarty and remained in a Trinity Ambulance.

The team subsequently cleared the entire apartment before turning the scene over to detectives. The team then mounted vehicles and exited the area enroute to Woburn to link up with the remainder of the NEMLEC SWAT team for follow on operations.

Detectives executing the search warrant located several illegal drugs to include marijuana and steroids as well as \$ 14,057 in US currency.

Respectfully,

Sergeant James Fay
NEMLEC SWAT
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NEMLEC
SWAT - CNT - K9 - IMAT

EVENT: Woburn/Lowell

DATE: 01/16/14

	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE
	Banosian, Shiraz, Ptl.	Belmont	x		
	Burnham, Jon, Ptl.	Wakefield	x		
	Bourque, Mark, Sgt.	Tyngsboro	x		
	Carlson, Jonathan, Ptl.	Wilmington	x		
	Chaput, Stephen, Lt.	Dracut	x		
S	Cogswell, Steve, Ptl.	Billerica	x		
	DiChiara, Chuck, Ptl.	Waltham	x		
W	Dicker, Tom, Ptl.	Watertown	x		
	Dorsey, Paul, Ptl.	No. Reading	x		
A	Fay, James, Sgt.	Lowell	x		
	Ferguson, Chuck, Ptl.	Burlington	x		
T	Fuller, Carl, Lt.	Winchester	x		
	Frechette, David, Sgt.	Lowell		x	
	Gualtieri, Mark, Sgt.	Billerica	x		
	Hanafin, Daniel, Sgt	Burlington	x		
	Heller, Thomas, Sgt.	Stoneham		x	
	Keins, Steven, Sgt.	Westford	x		
	Lefebvre, Christopher, Ptl.	Tewksbury	x		
	Max, Chris, Sgt.	Methuen	x		
	McCarthy, Stephen, Sgt.	Waltham	x		
	McDonough, Tim, Sgt.	Burlington	x		
	O'Leary, Sean, Ptl.	No. Reading		x	
	Palmer, Eric, Ptl.	Wilmington	x		
	Rego, Daniel, Ptl.	Somerville	x		
	Saia, Mark, Ptl.	Peabody	x		
	Scotina, Alfred, Ptl.	Peabody	x		
	Seamans, John, Sgt.	Dracut	x		
	Shackelford, Kevin, Ptl.	Somerville	x		
	Shelly, Jeffrey, Ptl.	Concord	x		
	Sinclair, Charles, Ptl.	Marblehead	x		
	Surette, Robert, Ptl.	Lincoln		x	
	Towle, Pat, Sgt.	Bedford		x	
	Troiano, Chris, Ptl.	Concord	x		
	Vaglica, James, Sgt.	Waltham		x	
	Vivolo, Carmine, Lt.	Somerville	x		
	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE
M	Bradbury, Jerry	Saints			
E	Clark, Keith	Saints			
D	Podsiadio, Benjamin	Saints			
I	Regan, Tim	Saints	x		
C	Russell, Wes	Saints			

	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE
	Fogarty, Andrea	CNT	x		
	Foley, Brian	CNT	x		
C	Herrera, Armand, Sgt.	CNT			
	Higginbottom, Mark, Sgt.	CNT - OIC			
N	Peaslee, David, Sgt.	CNT			
	Post, Greg	CNT			
T	Ricci, Eric	CNT			
	Scharnick, Sean	CNT			
	Sedgwick, David, Sgt.	CNT			
	Carder, Greg	MSO	x		
S	Chaput, Scot	MSO	x		
	Corindia, Joseph	MSO	x		
H	Doucette, Ken	MSO	x		
	Fagan, Justin	MSO		x	
E	Gianino, Nick	MSO	x		
	Gudewich, Mike	MSO		x	
R	Irving, Christian	MSO	x		
	Karelas, George	MSO		x	
I	Lavita, Jason	MSO	x		
	Ledbury, Todd	MSO	x		
F	Maloney, Rick	MSO	x		
	Slauta, Daniel	MSO	x		
F	Tully, Jason	MSO	x		
	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE
	Connors, Michael	Andover			
	Ellenton, Justin	Danvers			
	Fogg, Mike	Waltham			
K	Genovese, Chris	Gloucester			
	Harring, John	Billerica			
9	Hogan, Michael	Arlington			
	Kinney, Brian	Lowell			
	Leo, Dave	Chelmsford	x		
	Palmer, Eric	Wilmington			
	Papsedero, Joe	Burlington			
	Peladeau, Corey	Westford			
	Picallo, Al	Tewksbury			
	Taylor, Cory	Belmont			
	Toumyan, Slyvia	Concord			
	Tsoukalas, Mark	Billerica			

	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE
	Arnold, Scott	Waltham			
	Buckley, William, Capt	MSO			
	Burnham, Ken	Lynnfield FD			
	Cassidy, Shane	MSO			
	Carroll, Jody	Westford			
I	D'Agostino, Phil	Watertown			
	Davis, Damien	MSO			
M	Dragone, Lauren	Newton			
	Eldridge, Frank, Sgt.	Newton			
T	Foley, Mike	Arlington			
	Griffin, Michael	Salem			
	Henderson, Brian, Sgt	Newton			
	Keefe, Brian	Lowell			
	Mahan, Ben	MSO			
	Malm, Chris	Wakefield			
	Mathers, David	Amesbury			
	Mondalto, Jamie	Danvers			
	Poutas, Stacy	Newton			
	Riccio, James	Belmont			
	Russo, Richard, Sgt	Beverly			
	Rudolph, Mark, Lt.	Medford			
	Ryan, Christopher	Andover			
	Scafidi, Jeff	Armstrong			
	Scholtz, William, Sgt.	Amesbury			
	Skory, Steve, Lt	Wakefield			
	Simonds, Dave	Woburn			
	Spinosa, David	Lexington			
	Stokes, Keegan	Salem			
	Thibodeau, Joseph, Sgt	N. Reading			
	Trombly, James	Contractor			
	Vinciulla, Jeffrey	Bedford			
	Vestri, Fabrizio	Pepperell			

	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE
C	Sheehan, Timothy, Chief	Tewksbury			
	Begonis, Michael, Chief	Wilmington			
M	Fisher, John, Chief	Carlisle			
	Picariello, Robert, Chief	Marblehead			
D	Palma, Donald, Chief	Groton			
	Ray, Mark, Chief	Beverly			