

# North Eastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council

## AFTER-ACTION REPORT

### Call-out

#### Summary Page

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

Location: [redacted] Lafayette St [redacted]	Date: 03/08/2013 Salem
Begin Time: 1230	End Time: 1700
# Personnel Responding: 29	On-scene Commander Sgt. Towle

#### **Call-out Summary:**

Assist Salem PD with serving high risk search warrant; 23 SWAT operators, 2 CNT, .1 K-9, 3 IMAT personnel responded

#### **Events/Items of Note:**

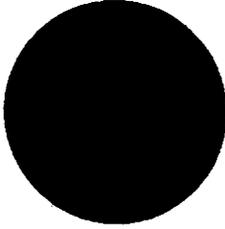
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Submitted By: Sgt. Towle

Submitted Date: 03/14/2013

Control Chief \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature



# Northeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council

## Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT)

Chief Michael R. Begonis  
Control Officer  
Wilmington Police Dept.

Lt. Stephen Chaput  
Commanding Officer  
Dracut Police Dept.

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

TO: Lt. Stephen Chaput SWAT Commander  
FROM: Sgt. Patrick Towle SWAT OIC  
RE: ~~SWAT Callout Salem 03/08/2013~~

On Friday March 8, 2013 at approximately 1230 hours the NEMLEC SWAT team was activated to assist the Salem Police Department with serving a high risk search warrant. The team was instructed to stage at the Salem Police Department. Upon my arrival at the staging area I met with Sgt. Dennis King. Sgt. King informed me that he had obtained a no knock search warrant [REDACTED] from Salem District Court for [REDACTED] Lafayette Street apt. [REDACTED]. The search warrant was for weapons. The suspect in the case was [REDACTED].

Sgt. King indicated that [REDACTED] is currently on federal probation for a cocaine smuggling conviction from 2011. According to Sgt. King the Salem Police had received information that [REDACTED] was in possession of a pistol and rifle and as a result of this information were able to develop probable cause and obtain the search warrant. Sgt. King described [REDACTED] Lafayette Street as an older hotel that has been converted into a 65 unit rooming house. [REDACTED] room was located on the [REDACTED] floor, [REDACTED].

After briefing the SWAT team on the case background, the team leaders and the vehicle operators along with Salem detectives conducted a pre-operational surveillance drive by of the target location. Upon completion of the reconnaissance an operational plan was developed. This plan called for the Alpha team to enter through the main entrance of the building on Lafayette Street (side 1), make their way up four flights of stairs and then make entry into the targets apartment. Salem PD was able to provide the team with a key to both the main entrance and the suspect's apartment. The Bravo team would make entry into a fire door located on the rear 3,4 corner. The Bravo team then would make their way up a rear stair case to the fourth floor and take up a position to provide support to the Alpha team or become the primary entry team if the Alpha team was compromised. The perimeter security would be handled by the Salem PD and the responding NEMLEC K-9's.

The Alpha team consisted of the following operators;

1. Saia – Taser
2. Dicker – ram
3. Fay – TL, keys
4. McCarthy – long arm

5. Callahan – long arm
6. Scotina – halogen, long arm
7. Gualtieri – less lethal shotgun
8. Shackelford – shield
9. Noonan – long arm
10. Troiano – long arm
11. Vaglica – long arm
12. CNT Ricci – van (blue) driver

The Bravo team consisted of the following operators;

1. Ferguson – shield
2. McDonough – ATL
3. Max – Taser
4. Vivolo – TL
5. Shelly – long arm
6. Bourques – long arm
7. O'Leary – handgun
8. Frechette – handgun
9. Palmer – halogen
10. Seamans – ram
11. CNT Sedgewick
12. Salem PD Detective Tucker - van (white) driver

After the teams met individually they were brought back together for a final brief back, contingencies were also covered if the team was compromised or came under fire. After completing the brief backs the teams loaded into the vans and proceeded to the target location (approx. 1445 hours) over a predetermined route. The order of movement for the vans was Bravo then Alpha. Upon reaching the target location the Bravo team dismounted at the 2, 3 corner and made their way to the entry point (fire door) at the 3, 4 corner and made their way to the fourth floor. The Alpha team dismounted on the 1 side moved to the main front door (which was unlocked) then ascended to the fourth floor, once on the fourth floor the team made their way to room [REDACTED] Sgt. Fay then used the provided key and unlocked the door. The Alpha team made entry in the one room apartment. Located in the apartment was the suspect's girlfriend [REDACTED] became very excited upon the teams entry and was handcuffed as a result for her safety. After the Alpha team cleared the apartment both the apartment and [REDACTED] – [REDACTED] were turned over to the Salem detectives.

Once back at the staging area the operation was debriefed. The team was then dismissed, the hours of the operation were 1230 – 1700 hours.

**NEMLEC  
SWAT - CNT - K9 - IMAT  
ATTENDANCE SHEET**

EVENT: *Salem*

DATE: *3-8-2013*

TIMES: *1230-1700*

	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE	Comment - Assignment
	Borque, Mark, SGT	Tyngsboro	X			
	Callahan, Jeff, SGT	Waltham	X			
	Chaput, Stephen, LT	Dracut		X		
	Cogswell, Steve, Ptl	Billerica	X			
	DiChiara, Chuck, Ptl	Waltham		X		
S	Dicker, Tom, Ptl	Watertown	X			
	Dorsey, Paul, Ptl	No. Reading		X		
W	Fay, James, SGT	Lowell	X			
	Ferguson, Chuck, Ptl	Burlington	X			
A	Fuller, Carl, LT	Winchester		X		
	Frechette, David, SGT	Lowell	X			
T	Gualtieri, Mark, SGT	Billerica	X			
	Heller, Thomas, Ptl	Stoneham		X		
	Keins, Steven, SGT	Westford		X		
	Max, Chris, SGT	Methuen	X			
	McCarthy, Stephen, SGT	Waltham	X			
	McDonough, Tim, SGT	Burlington	X			
	Noonan, Patrick, Ptl	No. Andover	X			
	O'Leary, Sean, Ptl	No. Reading	X			
	Palmer, Eric	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			
	Surette, Robert	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	Comment - Assignment
	Fogarty, Andrea	CNT				
C	Foley, Brian	CNT				
	Herrera, Armand	CNT				
N	Higginbottom, Mark, SGT	CNT - OIC				
	Peaslee, David	CNT				
T	Post, Greg	CNT				
	Ricci, Eric	CNT	X			
	Scharnick, Sean	CNT				
	Sedgwick, David	CNT	X			

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Bradbury, Jerry	MEDIC				
Clark, Keith	MEDIC				
Regan, Tim	MEDIC				
Russell, Wes	MEDIC				
Cooper, Paul	Support				

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NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE	Comment - Assignment
Harring, John	Billerica				Call Sign K-1
Palmer, Eric	Wilmington				Call Sign K-2
Hogan, Michael	Arlington				Call Sign K-8
Tsoukalas, Mark	Billerica				Call Sign K-3
Papsedero, Joe	Burlington				Call Sign K-4
Kinney, Brian	Lowell				Call Sign K-11
Peladeau, Corey	Westford	X			Call Sign K-5
Toumyan, Slyvia	Concord				Call Sign K-6
Fogg, Mike	Waltham				Call Sign K-9
Picallo, Al	Tewksbury				Call Sign K-7
Polston, Mike	Malden				Call Sign K-12
Connors, Michael	Andover				Call Sign K-10
Roccicone, Brett	Wakefield				Call Sign K-13

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NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE	Comment - Assignment
Arnold, Scott	Waltham				
Buckley, William	MSO				
Burnham, Ken	Lynnfield FD				
Cassidy, Shane	MSO				
D'Agostino, Phil	Watertown				
Davis, Damien	MSO				
Duffill, John	Danvers				
Dragone, Lauren	Newton				
Eldridge, Frank	Newton	X			
Foley, Mike	Arlington				
Griffin, Michael	Salem	X			
Keefe, Brian	Lowell				
Landers, Richard	Concord				
Magee, Dave	Woburn				
Malm, Chris	Wakefield				
Mathers, David	Amesbury				
Mondalto, Jamie	Danvers				
Riccio, James	Belmont				
Riendeau, Dan	Cataldo				
Rudolph, Mark	Medford				
Ryan, Christopher	Andover				
Scafidi, Jeff	Armstrong				
Scholtz, William	Amesbury	X			
Skory, Steve	Wakefield				
Simonds, Dave	Woburn				
Spinosa, David	Lexington				
Stokes, Keegan	Salem				
Thibodeau, Joseph	N. Reading				
Trombly, James	Contractor				

Vinciulla, Jeffrey	Bedford				
Vestri, Fabrizio	Pepperell				

<b>NAME</b>	<b>DEPT</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>IN-ROUTE</b>	<b>Comment - Assignment</b>
Fram, Thomas	Methuen				
Sheehan, Timothy	Tewksbury				
Begonis, Michael	Wilmington				
Fisher, John	Carlisle				
Picariello, Robert	Marblehead				
Palma, Donald	Groton				
Ray, Mark	Beverly				