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CASE # 2020-680495 | OFFICER Charles Elam | DPSST 50594 | ☐ AMENDED

DATE 05/29/2020 | TIME: 10:00 PM | ASSIGNMENT: RRT

LOCATION Downtown Portland

NAME (LAST, FIRST M) Unknown | GENDER | RACE | DATE OF BIRTH MM/DD/YYYY

TYPE OF CALL - REASON FOR CONTACT

☐ SUBJECT STOP ☐ PERSON CRIME ☒ PROPERTY CRIME ☐ ADMINISTRATIVE ☐ INJURED ANIMAL

☐ TRAFFIC STOP ☒ OTHER ☐ MERE CONVERSATION ☐ WELFARE CHECK

EXPLAIN

I was deployed to downtown Portland with RRT Delta Squad in regards to a protest that turned into an unlawfully assembly, a civil disturbance and then ultimately a riot.

I have been a member of RRT for approximately 7 years and certified as a grenadier for approximately two years. I was a grenadier for today's deployment.

LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR CONTACT

☐ REASONABLE SUSPICION ☐ WARRANT/JUDICIAL DECREE ☐ OTHER

☐ PROBABLE CAUSE ☐ CIVIL HOLD ☒ CIVIL UNREST

EXPLAIN

There were several hundred protesters that began vandalizing and looting the downtown businesses and government buildings. Announcements were made for the crowd to disperse or chemical and impact munitions would be used against them. The crowd did not disperse and only became more hostile. The crowd started throwing multiple projectiles towards my RRT squad.

CONDITION PRIOR TO FORCE

☐ ARMED (ACTUALLY) [redacted] MENTAL HEALTH INFLUENCE (PERCEIVED) ☐ PASSIVE RESISTANCE*

☒ REPORTED TO BE ARMED ☐ UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS ☒ ENGAGED IN PHYSICAL RESISTANCE

☐ ARMED (PERCEIVED) ☐ UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL ☒ OTHER ☐ NONE

EXPLAIN

The protesters/rioters refused to disperse. They threw multiple projectiles at my RRT squad. They broke into the justice center and set it on fire. Throughout the night the protesters/rioters continually set fires, vandalized and looted.

PERCEIVED CONDITION FOR LACK OF COMPLIANCE PRIOR TO FORCE

[redacted] MEDICAL CONDITIONS [redacted] DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY ☒ DISOBEDIENT / ANTAGONISTIC ☒ OTHER

[redacted] MENTAL IMPAIRMENT [redacted] MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS ☐ LANGUAGE BARRIER [redacted] PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS

☐ IMPAIRED FROM DRUGS OR ALCOHOL OR BOTH

EXPLAIN

The protesters/rioters were extremely hostile, they threw unknown objects at us throughout the night. At one point even a mortar style firework was thrown at my RRT squad, [redacted]

MENTAL HEALTH

[redacted] NONE [redacted] PRIOR TO FORCE KNOWLEDGE [redacted] POST FORCE KNOWLEDGE [redacted] OTHER

EXPLAIN

[redacted]

SPECIALTY UNITS

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YES, WHICH ONES? | SPECIALTY UNITS INVOLVED?

WHICH SPECIALTY UNITS?

RRT, Air Support, Traffic Division, Liasion Officers, SERT

DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES

YES | DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES WERE ATTEMPTED OR USED?

EXPLAIN WHY NO DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES WERE USED/ATTEMPTED OR DESCRIBE TECHNIQUES USED/ATTEMPTED

The protesters/rioters were given multiple warnings from the sound truck as well as from RRT members throughout the night. The rioters/protesters were given ample amount of time to leave the area prior to munitions being deployed.

USE OF FORCE WAS NECESSARY TO

- ☒ PREVENT OR TERMINATE THE COMMISSION OF AN OFFENSE.
- ☐ LAWFULLY TAKE A PERSON INTO CUSTODY, MAKE AN ARREST, OR PREVENT AN ESCAPE.
- ☐ PREVENT A SUICIDE OR SERIOUS SELF-INFLICTED INJURY.
- ☐ DEFEND THE MEMBER OR OTHER PERSON FROM THE USE OF PHYSICAL FORCE.
- ☒ ACCOMPLISH SOME OFFICIAL PURPOSE OR DUTY THAT IS AUTHORIZED BY LAW OR JUDICIAL DECREE.

CHRONOLOGICAL USE OF FORCE

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE
+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	CHEMICAL AGENT	FEET	YES	YES

CHEMICAL AGENT	DEPLOYMENT	DISTANCE
CS	LAUNCHED	100 feet+

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

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The crowd dispersed from in front of the Justice Center but they continued to regroup throughout the downtown area. Delta squad followed several different groups of rioters throughout the night. We followed them on foot as well as on the RRT van.

I deployed multiple launched munitions, in several locations, throughout the night in order to disperse the crowd and stop the rioting. Announcements were made by the sound truck continuously throughout the night.

(Target location was in the air, above the crowd, but this was not an option in the drop down box).

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CHEMICAL AGENT	DEPLOYMENT	DISTANCE
CS	HAND TOSSED	20 feet+

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+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	CHEMICAL AGENT	FACE	NO, EXPLAIN	YES

CHEMICAL AGENT	DEPLOYMENT	DISTANCE
OC	SPRAY CAN	approximately 3 feet

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

While near the intersection of SW 4th Ave and SW Yamhill St, I observed an unknown male become confrontational with Officer Barth. The sound truck had already announced for people to leave the street. I watched Officer Barth attempt to move the male with his RRT issued long baton but the male refused. The male squared up in front of Officer Barth, balled his fists and started screaming in Officer Barth's face. Officer Barth then tried to move the male with his hand and the male twist and turned to get out from Officer Barth's grasp. The male got back up in Officer Barth's face and said something along the lines of "I will beat your fucking ass" and squared up to Officer Barth.

I told the male to he was going to be pepper sprayed if he did not move. The male yelled something explicit back at me and maintained a fighting stance. I then deployed one quick spray (approximately one second) of MK-9 into the male's face. The male immediately moved his hands to his face and ran westbound away from the area.

The description was a black male, skinny build, approximately 6' tall with long dreadlocks. The male did not have a shirt on but had a white one in his hand.

YES — WHEN THE RESISTANCE DECREASED, I REDUCED MY AMOUNT OF FORCE TO A LEVEL REASONABLY CALCULATED TO MAINTAIN CONTROL.

DESCRIBE WHY OTHER FORCE OPTIONS WERE REASONABLY CONSIDERED BUT NOT USED:

The munitions mentioned above are designed for crowd control and riot situations. Going hands on was not an option due to how large and hostile the crowd was.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE FORCE YOU OBSERVED OTHER OFFICERS USE:

I observed Officer Brent Taylor, Officer Brandon Haase, Det. Erick Kammerer and Sgt Andrew Kofoed also deploy multiple munitions throughout the night.

SUBJECT INJURY AND/OR TREATMENT

	TYPE OF INJURY	OBSERVATION	LOCATION OF INJURY	INJURY ATTRIBUTED TO	INJURY TREATMENT
+ -	[redacted]				

[redacted]

THE SUBJECT WAS MEDICALLY CLEARED FROM THE FORCE EVENT

THE SUBJECT WAS TRANSPORTED AND/OR ADMITTED BECAUSE OF MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

THE SUBJECT WAS TRANSPORTED AND/OR ADMITTED FOR DRUGS/ALCOHOL

WITNESS

☒ I ATTEMPTED TO LOCATE WITNESSES AND NONE WERE LOCATED.

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☐ WITNESSES WERE LOCATED BUT THEY REFUSED TO GIVE THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION AND A DESCRIPTION OF THEM IS IN THE SECTION BELOW.

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WITNESS INFORMATION: NAME OR DESCRIPTION (IF NAME REFUSED) AND MEMBER WHO LOCATED:

This was a rapidly evolving situation and there was not time to interview witnesses.

MEMBER INJURY

[redacted] **WAS INJURED DURING THIS INCIDENT**

SIGNATURE

SIGNATURE	DPSST		RANK	NAME
Charles Elam	50594	EMAILED TO	SGT	Hythum Ismail

************SUPERVISORS ONLY************

APPROVED BY:	J. Sutton	DPSST:	47682

PSD: ONLY PERCEIVED MENTALLY ILL	PSD: ONLY SERIOUS USE OF FORCE	PSD: BOTH A SERIOUS USE OF FORCE ON A SUBJECT WITH PERCEIVED MENTAL ILLNESS		**SERGEANT:** SUBMIT FINAL COPY TO RECORDS