Force Data Collection Report

CASE # 2020-680613 | OFFICER: OLIPHANT | DPSST: 43732 | ☐ AMENDED

DATE: 06/06/2020 | TIME: 12:00 AM | ASSIGNMENT: RRT

LOCATION: SW WASHINGTON / SW 3RD

NAME (LAST, FIRST M)	GENDER	RACE	DATE OF BIRTH
Porterfield, Helen M	FEMALE	WHITE	04/25/1998

TYPE OF CALL - REASON FOR CONTACT

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

☐ TRAFFIC STOP ☒ OTHER ☐ MERE CONVERSATION ☐ WELFARE CHECK

EXPLAIN

Helen was with an individual who was being arrested and she was actively trying to unarrest them.

LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR CONTACT

☐ REASONABLE SUSPICION ☐ WARRANT/JUDICIAL DECREE ☐ OTHER

☒ PROBABLE CAUSE ☐ CIVIL HOLD ☐ CIVIL UNREST

EXPLAIN

Helen was interfering with a police officer and had been given orders to stop.

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

Helen was aggressively trying to pull the suspect away from the police.

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

Helen refused orders to stop interfering.

MENTAL HEALTH

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

EXPLAIN

[redacted]

SPECIALTY UNITS

YES, WHICH ONES? SPECIALTY UNITS INVOLVED?

WHICH SPECIALTY UNITS?

Every specialty squad PPB has to include but not all; RRT, EDU, SERT, CNT, PPI, ECIT...

DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES

NO DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES WERE ATTEMPTED OR USED?

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

No de-escalation technique was attempted because the event unfolded rapidly. Officers were trying to arrest her partner and as soon as Helen realized that, she immediately turned to aggressively physically unarrest him. If we tried to use some de-escalation techniques, people and/or officers could have gotten hurt.

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	FACE	YES	YES

CHEMICAL AGENT	DEPLOYMENT	DISTANCE
OC	SPRAY CAN	6 feet

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

Helen turned to pull her partner away from arresting officers and she was within a crowd of people. I could hear her being yelled at to stop and to let go. I had a Mark IX OC spray can and targeted Helen's face and sprayed her with a quick burst of OC spray. I saw other sprays of OC from other officers too. I stepped past her because it looked like it had an affect on her and I focused on the rest of the crowd.

	RESISTANCE	WARNING	FORCE	TARGET LOCATION	RESISTANCE CONTINUED	RE-EVALUATE
+ -	ACTIVE AGGRESS	YES	CONTROLLED TAKE DOWN	TORSO	NO, EXPLAIN	YES

DESCRIBE THIS USE OF FORCE:

After I stepped forward, I looked back for situational awareness and saw Helen still trying to unarrest the suspect. It was obvious the OC spray dind't work. Helen was next to me so I grabbed her and pulled her away from the suspect being arrested. The moment she lost grip of him, she immediately balled up and fell to the ground. I still had control of her and didn't let her fall to the ground hard, I made sure it was in a controlled manner. I placed my left knee on the middle of her back until another officer was able to place handcuffs on her.

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 use of a Taser or strikes did not seem appropriate.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE FORCE YOU OBSERVED OTHER OFFICERS USE:

I saw two officers use OC spray on Helen.

SUBJECT INJURY AND/OR TREATMENT

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

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF COMPLAINT, APPARENT, PRE-EXISTING INJURY OR ABSENCE OF INJURY:

[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.

☐ _____ ATTEMPTED TO LOCATE WITNESSES AND NONE WERE LOCATED

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

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

MEMBER INJURY

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

SIGNATURE

SIGNATURE	DPSST		RANK	NAME
John Oliphant	43732	EMAILED TO	SGT	Spiegel

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APPROVED BY:	Sgt. Daniel Spiegel	DPSST:	49997

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