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January 31, 2019

To: Lt.

Los Angeles County Sheriff Department

From: Ingrid Williams

Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission

REQUEST FOR POLICY AND/OR INFORMATION:

Request information for the following:

- 1. How many patrol vehicles have dash cams? For which units?
- 2. Is there a policy for use of dash cams in patrol cars, and if so, please provide

REASON FOR REQUEST:

The Use of Force by Patrol ad hoc committee would like to obtain this information as it contributes to a broader understanding of the issue.

WHEN SPECIFIC INFORMATION IS NEEDED:

Please forward information to the contact person listed below if possible by **February 14, 2019.**

CONTACT PERSON:

Please feel free to contact Christine Aque at should you have any additional questions or concerns.

Please cc M. Ingrid Williams at correspondence.

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ALEX VILLANUEVA, SHERIFF

February 7, 2019

Brian Williams, Executive Director Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission 350 South Figueroa Street, Suite 288 Los Angeles, California 90071

Dear Mr. Williams:

REQUEST FOR POLICY AND/OR INFORMATION

On January 31, 2019, the Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission (COC) requested to know how many patrol vehicles utilize dash cameras and if Department Policy existed for the use of dash cameras.

A query was conducted of the 23 patrol stations within the Sheriff's Department's Patrol Operations. Only one patrol station reported the use of dash cameras.

 San Dimas Station reported one deputy who utilizes a personal dash camera to record public contacts during normal patrol duties.

Currently, there is no policy specifically governing the use of in-car dash cameras.

The Department's Manual of Policy and Procedures Section 3-01/100.46; *Use of Communication Devices*, allows Department employees to record contacts with members of the public during legitimate Department business (e.g., traffic stops, etc.).

Should you have any further questions, please contact Lieutenant

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Sincerely,

ALEX VILLANUEVA, SHERIFF

TIMOTHY R. MURAKAMI ASSISTANT SHERIFF

211 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California 90012

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c: M. Ingrid Williams, Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission Christine Aque, Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission