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TO: All Personnel, ^{PLANNING AND RESEARCH} ~~Office of~~ ^{Division} Operations

FROM: Director, Office of Operations

SUBJECT: ENHANCEMENT EMERGENCY PROCEDURES FOR RESPONDING TO AND
MANAGING BOMB THREATS AND SUSPECTED EXPLOSIVE DEVICES
AT DIPLOMATIC POSTS

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

PURPOSE

This Notice informs Department personnel of a change in patrol dispatch protocol for bomb threats and suspected explosive devices reported at diplomatic posts. It also requires concerned Areas to ensure that they maintain predetermined command post sites that allow for the proper management of actual devices, and/or detonations that might occur at these diplomatic posts.

INFORMATION

During a recent meeting involving members of the Department, diplomatic officials, and representatives of the United States State Department, it was recommended that the Department modify its protocol for responding to bomb threats and suspected explosive devices at diplomatic posts. It was also recommended that concerned Areas review their existing Standing Plans to ensure that appropriate emergency command post sites are selected to allow for the proper management of actual devices, and/or detonations that might occur at diplomatic posts. Upon review of the recommendations, it was determined that the protocol modification and Area tactical considerations are appropriate, and will enable the Department to enhance the safety of the diplomatic community.

PROCEDURE**Patrol Unit Dispatch Protocol:**

Bomb threat and suspected explosive device radio calls for service at diplomatic posts will be dispatched Code-2 high.

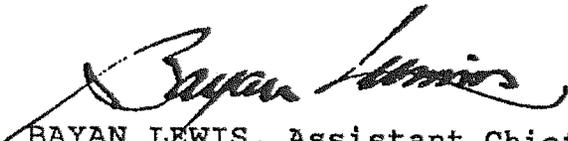
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Units responding Code-2 high shall respond in accordance with Department Manual Section 120.40, Radio Codes and Procedures. All other Department policies and procedures pertaining to the management of bomb threats and suspected explosive devices remain in effect.

Review of Area Standing Plans:

All Area commanding officers shall ensure that all appropriate tactical considerations concerning diplomatic posts have been identified, and that appropriate command post sites have been selected and are included in their Area Standing Plans. Scientific Investigation Division, Firearms and Explosives Section, Bomb Squad, has agreed to liaise with each Area to assist with the selection of tactical locations.

Questions concerning this Notice should be directed to the Office of Operations, Evaluation and Administration Section, at extension 5-4111.


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