

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice

March 2, 2021

Hon. Charles Allen
Chairperson
Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Councilmember Allen:

This letter is provided to you pursuant to section 103(b) of the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Second Temporary Amendment Act of 2020, effective December 3, 2020 (D.C. Law 23-151), regarding a serious use of force by Kevin Peralta and Jimmy Checo of the Metropolitan Police Department on Wednesday, February 24, 2021, in the 300 block of 35th Street, NE.

Uniformed patrol officers responded to the location for the report of a sexual assault inside a residence. Upon arrival, officers learned the victim was assaulted by a family member armed with a knife. The officers encountered the individual inside the residence and issued repeated demands that he drop the knife. The individual swung the knife and two officers fired their weapons, striking the individual. Officers provided first aid until the individual was transported by DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services to an area hospital for treatment of non-life-threatening injuries. The individual's knife was recovered.

The individual was charged with Assault with Intent to Commit First Degree Sexual Abuse, Assault on a Police Officer While Armed, and Assault with a Dangerous Weapon (Knife).

The individual who was the subject of the serious use of force has not consented to the public release of body-worn camera footage.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Geldart'.

Chris Geldart
Acting Deputy Mayor

