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**Lakewood Police Department
Supplemental Report**

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Date: 04/21/99**

Ref: AOA – JCSD, Homicide at Columbine High School

On 042099 at approx. 1239 hrs. I arrived at LPD and was informed that SWAT was being activated to assist the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department at Columbine High School with regard to a shooting incident.

I collected the Lakewood Crisis Negotiation equipment and with Agent Eric Ebeling, the only other available SWAT-CNT member on-duty, drove to the staging area designated, Clement Park, arriving at approximately 1310 hrs.

On South Pierce Street, just north of the High School command officers and vehicles from various agencies were present. Littleton PD's Crisis Negotiation Team was present and had already prepared their throw phone equipment for delivery and had designated a primary and secondary negotiator. Officers were collecting information from teachers and students who had barricaded themselves in the school. Littleton PD had also established a TOC (tactical operations center) for data collection. Corporal Mike Kelly, the supervisor for Littleton PD's CNT, was present with four members of their unit. I placed myself and Agent Ebeling under Cpl. Kelly's command. Cpl. Kelly later received notice from JCSD Dan Sittner (supervisor for JCSD's CNT unit) that the Littleton group assembled under Cpl. Kelly was the only CNT unit available for negotiation functions.

Others later added to the CNT/TOC were FBI S/A Mark ^{Holstlaw}, and two or three members of the Arapahoe County SO. FBI SS/A Dwane Fuselier was also present and was an advisor to the group.

As the suspects had not yet been named to my knowledge I contacted **Peter Horvath, Columbine Dean of Students and Soccer Coach**. He told me that students who were witness to the shootings had told him that the suspects were; **Dylan Klebold** (he spelled it Kleybold) and **Eric Harris**, both students at CHS. He also advised that a third student, **Chris Morris**, was a close friend of the other two and he knew them all as "trenchcoats". This information was posted at the TOC and passed on to JCSD Sgt. Dan Sittner and Sgt. Phil Hy. Much later Agent Ebeling was able to secure rap sheets and photos of these suspects and these were delivered to the JCSD Command Post.

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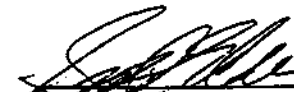
The TOC was moved twice, once from the side of a Littleton PD vehicle then to an open area outside the JCSD Command vehicle, then to the interior of the Arapahoe County Sheriff's command vehicle.


I advised Sgt. Sittner that should the need arise for crisis negotiations using bullhorns at the school that both Ebeling and I would be available.

At 1544 hrs. I monitored a broadcast from the LPD Communications Center that they had received a call from a student in the school that he had just been shot. I called the Comm Center and spoke with Bee-ann Clark, the operator who had taken the call. She advised that a "Brian Beers" age 18, calling in on ext. 7112, said he'd been shot through the lungs five minutes before. The caller said he was by the women's bathroom in the gym. The call was then disconnected and was not traceable. I aired this information, but later learned that the gym had already been cleared by one of the SWAT teams and this report was a prank.

Following the return of the LPD Tactical SWAT to the command area the CNT and TOC functions were discontinued. Cpl. Kelly took charge of all of the prepared charts and data for delivery to JCSD.

I went off duty at approximately 1730 hrs.


Gerald E. Cole, Sgt. 1013 4-21-99
Date


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Date

DEWHURST, M

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L A K E W O O D P O L I C E D E P A R T M E N T

offense: ASSIST OTHER AGENCY-JCSO
Victim:
Agent: 1584 DEWHURST, MARK ^{MDL}₁₅₈₄
Inv Agt:

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S U P P L E M E N T

OBSERVATION/INVESTIGATION:

On Tuesday, 04/20/99, at about 1245 hours I responded to the Lakewood Police Department regarding a SWAT call-out. I met Agents Hitchens and Kraemer at the station and I was instructed to drive the department's property van to Columbine High School, 6201 South Pierce Street. Agent Kraemer told me the van would be used as a rescue vehicle. Agent Kraemer drove a marked Lakewood Police car to the area of Bowles Avenue and Pierce Street and I followed him in the van. We arrived in the area at about 1330 hours.

Upon arrival, Agents Hitchens, Kraemer and I contacted Lakewood Police Sgt. Hinkle at Leawood and Pierce. Sgt. Hinkle told us that we would be the next "reaction team" to be sent to the school. At about 1350 hours we relocated to the Littleton Police Department's Command Post at Fair Avenue and Pierce Street. Sgt. Hinkle told us that our mission was to locate two suspect vehicles in the school's south parking lot. He described the vehicles as a black Honda coupe with a "Ramstein" bumper sticker in the back window and an older model black Mercedes with a "NIN" bumper sticker in the back window.

At about 1408 hours Sgt. Hinkle, Agents Hitchens, Kraemer and I left the command post with a "Loomis" armored truck. Sgt. Hinkle was inside the truck and Agents Hitchens, Kraemer and I walked behind the truck to the school's south parking lot. We traveled west through the lot and at about 1416 hours I saw a black Honda parked in the first row, directly south of the school. The Honda was about 75 yards west of Pierce and about 30 yards south of the building. I ran over to the Honda and saw a "Ramstein" bumper sticker in the back window. Agent Kraemer put a "Stinger" stop stick behind the car's rear tires. I looked into the car and saw a blue blanket in the backseat. I saw a bulge under the blanket but I wasn't able to discern what the bulge was. Agent Kraemer reached into the car through the driver's door and lifted a corner of the blanket. He said he didn't see anybody under the blanket and the bulge appeared to be a propane bottle. Agent Kraemer and I returned to the rear of the armored truck and we traveled about 20 yards to the west before stopping in the south parking lot.

Agent Hitchens and I watched the school's south facing windows and, at about 1422 hours, Agent Hitchens told me he saw movement through a ground level glass door. Agent Hitchens said he saw a person moving near the door and a short time later he said he was moving to the door to remove a

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hostage from the building. I covered Agents Hitchens and Kraemer as they approached the building and they escorted two white males to the armored truck. One male was crying and was unable to speak. He later identified himself as "Louis" and said he was a Columbine student. The other male appeared to be about 55 years old. The older male climbed into the rear of the armored truck and Louis stayed outside of the truck with Agents Hitchens, Kraemer and me.

We maintained our position in the school's south lot and were eventually joined by Sgt. Romaniec, Agent Wilson and Agent Sawyer. Agent Hitchens and I then moved north towards the school and watched the school's main, south entrance. I noticed a window on the ground floor level had been shattered and there was a large amount of glass on the sidewalk near this window. I also noticed a window on the school's second floor, southwest corner had been shattered and most of the glass was missing from the pane. I also saw a white female lying on the sidewalk near the southwest corner of the building. This female, who was wearing blue jeans and a light colored top, was not moving.

At about 1440 hours I saw a white male lean out of the shattered southwest, second story window. It looked like he was going to jump out the window and Agent Hitchens and I yelled at him to stay where he was. The armored truck moved north towards the school and Agent Wilson and I climbed into the back of the truck. I watched the school's ground level windows as the truck moved under the shattered window. Agent Wilson and I watched the windows until the male was removed from the window and carried to the back of the truck. This male, who identified himself as Richard, told Agent Wilson and I that he had been shot. He was bleeding from his head/neck area and he had difficulty answering our questions. It appeared Richard was going to go to sleep and Agent Wilson and I spoke to him and shook him to keep him awake. The armored truck was backed away from the building to the south lot where Agent Wilson and I got out of the vehicle. I assumed a "cover" position behind a car until the truck returned with Sgt. Loar, Agent Beattie and Agent Kimmey.

Sgt. Loar told me that we were going to follow the truck north to the school's main, south entrance and that we were going to search the school's southeast, ground floor. We, as a team, moved to the school and entered the building. We initially entered the cafeteria and I noticed that the sprinkler system had been activated and the floor was covered with about 1" of standing water. I also noticed backpacks on the cafeteria floor and on the room's tables.

Sgt. Loar, Agent Hitchens and I formed a three man search team and, along with Agent Kraemer, Sgt. Hinkle, Sgt. Romaniec, Agent Beattie and Agent Kimmey searched the southeastern portion of the ground floor. We did not find any hostages nor did we find any suspects. We then re-searched the same area, doing a "micro search". Once again we did not find anybody in that section of the building. Agents Kraemer, Hitchens, Sawyer and I eventually moved up to the second floor library area. I saw three people lying on the library floor: two females and one male. None of these people moved. I then moved downstairs and searched the cafeteria with Agent Wilson. We didn't find anybody in that section of the building.

The search team then moved outside to the south, main doors. Sgt. Loar

and I searched the southwest area of the school's south parking lot for the second suspect vehicle, the black Mercedes. We found a black BMW about 100 yards southwest of the school. The BMW, Colorado license plate GBZ-2636, had a "NIN" bumper sticker on the window. I looked into the car and saw two clear bottles in the front passenger compartment. One bottle was on the driver's seat and the other was on the floorboard between the seats. Both containers contained a yellow/orange liquid and I noticed bundles of matches had been taped to the top of the containers. These items appeared to be "Molotov Cocktails". I also saw two plastic gas containers in the back seat of the car. I told Agent Marcus Motte of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms about the car and where it was located.

At about 1700 hours we left the building's south side and the Lakewood SWAT team returned to the area of Lakewood and Pierce.

See other reports for further details.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

I saw a black, plastic bottle on the stairs leading from the cafeteria to the second floor. I also saw what appeared to be the remains of an exploded metallic pipe bomb on the landing. There were several nails on the stairs and floor.

I also saw a white male, lying on his back in a room just to the east of the library. This male was not wearing a shirt and did not move. He appeared to be in his 50's.

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Sergeant:

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offense: ASSIST OTHER AGENCY-JEFFCO
Victim:
Agent: 1618 DIREZZA, MARC
Inv Agt:

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OBSERVATION/INVESTIGATION:

ON 042099 AT APPROXIMATELY 1139 HRS SHOTS WERE FIRED AT COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL, 6201 S PIERCE ST. AT 1148 HRS, THE JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REQUESTED ASSISTANCE FROM THE LAKEWOOD PD SWAT TEAM. AT 1251 HRS, I ARRIVED ON SCENE WITH AGENT SLATER, SGT HINKLE, AND SGT ROMANIEC.

AT APROXIMATELY 1302 HRS, LAKEWOOD PD SWAT TEAM MEMBERS RESPONDED TO THE WEST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL TO ASSIST DENVER PD SWAT WITH A RESCUE OPERATION. AFTER ARRIVING AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL, AGENT BARTLETT AND I WERE ASSIGNED TO RELIEVE TWO DENVER PD SWAT TEAM MEMBERS ON PERIMETER POSITIONS ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE BUILDING. I TOOK A POSITION BEHIND A SHIELD JUST NORTH OF THE EAST END OF THE GYM. AGT BARTLETT TOOK A POSITION AT THE EAST END OF A TEMPORARY BUILDING, ALSO ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE GYM.

AT APPROXIMATELY 1530 HRS, I WAS RELIEVED BRIEFLY BY AN ENGLEWOOD PD OFFICER. AFTER APPROXIMATELY 10 MINUTES, I RESUMED MY POSITION. I REMAINED THERE UNTIL I WAS RELIEVED BY FBI AGENTS AT APPROXIMATELY 1650 HRS.

Agent: 1618 DIREZZA, MARC
Sergeant:

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SGT HINKLE

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**LAKEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT
SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT**

CASE NUMBER: 99-38856

DATE OF REPORT: 4/22/99
TIME OF REPORT: 1700HRS
REPORTING OFFICER: SGT HINKLE #1514
LOCATION OF OFFENSE: COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL
NATURE OF REPORT: ASSIST OTHER AGENCY

ON 4/20/99 AT APPROXIMATELY 1210HRS I WAS NOTIFIED BY CAPTAIN GARNER OF A JEFFERSON COUNTY CALL AT COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL. CAPTAIN GARNER SAID THAT SHOTS HAD BEEN FIRED AND THAT BOMBS WERE BEING DETONATED. I TURNED ON MY POLICE RADIO AND BEGAN MONITORING IT.

SGT NATE MILLER, WHO WAS ON SCENE ASSISTING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, ADVISED THAT THERE WERE 200 POLICE OFFICERS ON SCENE AND THREE SWAT TEAMS. HE SAID THAT THEY PROBABLY DID NOT NEED SWAT ASSISTANCE FROM OUR AGENCY.

AT APPROXIMATELY 1220HRS JEFFCO REQUESTED ADDITIONAL SWAT PERSONNEL. I CONSULTED WITH LT COLEMAN, WHO WAS THE WATCH ONE COMMANDER, AND CAPTAIN GARNER. THEY INSTRUCTED ME TO GEAR UP THE ON-DUTY LAKEWOOD SWAT PERSONNEL AND GO TO THE SCENE.

I PASSED ON THESE INSTRUCTIONS TO ON-DUTY SWAT PERSONNEL AND WE LOADED UP THE SWAT VAN. WE LEFT THE POLICE STATION AND BEGAN TOWARDS COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL. EN ROUTE, WE MONITORED RADIO TRAFFIC ABOUT SHOTS BEING FIRED ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL.

WE ARRIVED AT THE SCHOOL AT APPROXIMATELY 1245HRS. SERGEANT STREETER WAS ALREADY ON SCENE, AND HE REPORTED TO ME THAT HE HAD ALREADY CHECKED IN WITH THE JEFFCO COMMAND POST. THEY WERE NOT YET READY TO PROVIDE A SPECIFIC MISSION. IN THE INTERIM, WE HAD RECEIVED REPORTS FROM OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL THAT THERE WERE MANY VICTIMS BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE SCHOOL WHO WERE WOUNDED AND NEEDED TO BE RESCUED.

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BASED ON THE EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES, I FORMED OUR TEAM AND PLACED SERGEANT ROMANIEC IN CHARGE, WITH SERGEANT STREETER AS BACKUP. I SAW OFFICER BRUCE TOW FROM DENVER POLICE SWAT, AND I INSTRUCTED OUR TEAM TO JOIN UP WITH DENVER SWAT TO BEGIN RESCUING WOUNDED STUDENTS. OUR TEAM DEPARTED THE COMMAND POST AT 1302HRS.

LT BRENNAN ARRIVED AND INSTRUCTED ME TO RE-ESTABLISH LIAISON WITH THE JEFFCO COMMAND POST. I DID SO BY MAKING CONTACT WITH SERGEANT RANDY WEST. I INFORMED HIM OF OUR TEAM'S STRENGTH AND CURRENT OPERATION WITH DENVER SWAT. I ALSO POINTED OUT THE LOCATION OF OUR LAKEWOOD SWAT VAN, AND SAID THAT WE WOULD BE STANDING BY FOR ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS.

A LOOMIS ARMORED CAR ARRIVED, DRIVEN BY RON KORZEN. HE SAID THAT LOOMIS HAD AUTHORIZED US TO USE THEIR ARMORED CAR IN WHATEVER CAPACITY WAS NEEDED. SEVERAL OTHER LAKEWOOD SWAT MEMBERS ARRIVED, AND I FORMED A SECOND REACTION TEAM.

LT BRENNAN GAVE ME A MISSION TO LOCATE TWO POSSIBLE SUSPECT VEHICLES IN THE WEST PARKING LOT. ONE WAS A BLACK OLDER MODEL MERCEDES WITH A "NIN" DECAL, AND THE OTHER WAS A BLACK HONDA WITH A "RAMSTEIN" STICKER. OUR REACTION TEAM CONSISTED OF SERGEANT ROMANIEC, ACCOMPANIED BY AGENTS KRAEMER, DEWHURST, SAWYER, HITCHENS, AND WILSON. I TOLD RON KORZEN IT WAS HIS CHOICE AS TO WHETHER HE WOULD DRIVE, OR WE WOULD. RON SAID, "I'M HERE -- I MIGHT AS WELL DRIVE." JOE COUCH, A LOOMIS MANAGER, CHOSE TO GO WITH US IN THE PASSENGER COMPARTMENT OF THE TRUCK.

WE LOCATED THE HONDA WITH THE "RAMSTEIN" STICKER IN THE SOUTH PARKING LOT. AGENT KRAEMER REPORTED THAT THE CAR HAD WHAT APPEARED TO BE A PROPANE TANK UNDER A BLANKET ON THE BACK SEAT. I RELAYED THIS INFORMATION TO THE COMMAND POST. BECAUSE OF THE DANGER OF EXPLOSION, WE MOVED ON. (EARLIER WE HAD BEEN TOLD THAT 'PROPANE BOMBS' HAD BEEN USED BY THE SUSPECTS.)

ONE OF THE TEAM MEMBERS INFORMED ME OF SEVERAL POSSIBLE HOSTAGES AT A DOOR ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE BUILDING. I INSTRUCTED THE TEAM TO RETRIEVE THEM, AND THEY BROUGHT BACK A STUDENT (FIRST NAME "LOUIS") AND A TEACHER (WHOSE NAME WAS NOT REPORTED TO ME). I HAD DISPATCH CHECK THE STUDENT'S NAME AGAINST A LIST PROVIDED BY JEFFCO SCHOOLS. (HIS LAST NAME COULD BE RETRIEVED FROM DISPATCH TAPES, IF NECESSARY.)

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THE TEAM POINTED OUT A SIGN IN A WINDOW ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL, SECOND FLOOR. THE SIGN SAID "I BLEEDING TO DEATH." AGENT KRAEMER REQUESTED PERMISSION TO FORM A RESCUE TEAM TO ENTER THE SCHOOL AND GO TO THAT LOCATION, AND I TOLD HIM WE COULD NOT DO THAT. (THE SMALL SIZE OF OUR TEAM, THE APPROACH THROUGH A FATAL FUNNEL -- THE INTERIOR STAIRWAY FROM THE CAFETERIA -- AND THE PRESENCE OF OTHER SWAT TEAMS AT UNKNOWN LOCATIONS ALL POSED EXTREME DANGER SHOULD WE UNDERTAKE SUCH AN OPERATION.) HOWEVER, I DID RADIO THE INFORMATION TO THE COMMAND POST, AND SOON RECEIVED WORD THAT TWO DENVER SWAT TEAMS WERE CLEARING THE SECOND FLOOR.

A JEFFCO PATROL DEPUTY REPORTED THAT HE HAD HANDS AND BROKEN GLASS COMING FROM THE SECOND FLOOR, WEST SIDE. LOOKING UP, I SAW A WOUNDED STUDENT LEANING FROM A WINDOW DIRECTLY ABOVE THE CAFETERIA. THIS STUDENT (LATER IDENTIFIED AS PATRICK IRELAND) WAS OBVIOUSLY WOUNDED BADLY AND WAS DESPERATE TO ESCAPE. IT LOOKED AS THOUGH THE STUDENT WAS EITHER GOING TO JUMP OR FALL FROM THE WINDOW. I TOLD THE TEAM THAT WE WERE GOING TO RESCUE THE STUDENT, AND INSTRUCTED RON TO DRIVE FORWARD.

WE DROVE OVER A CURB AND A PLANTER TO GET TO THE STUDENT, STOPPING IMMEDIATELY BENEATH HIM. SERGEANT ROMANIEC AND AGENT KRAEMER WENT ON THE ROOF OF THE ARMORED CAR AND BROUGHT PATRICK DOWN.

I SAW A SECOND STUDENT LYING ON THE GROUND PERHAPS TEN YARDS AWAY, AND SAID, "LET'S GET HIM, TOO." HOWEVER, A SWAT OPERATOR FROM ANOTHER JURISDICTION WAVED US OFF, TELLING US THAT THE STUDENT WAS DEAD. (HE WAS A MALE, TEENAGED, WITH BROWN MEDIUM-CUT HAIR, WEARING A LIGHT COLORED SHIRT AND JEANS.)

WE REVERSED COURSE AND BACKED OUT TO PIERCE STREET, WHERE WE RELEASED OUR THREE RESCUED CITIZENS TO PARAMEDICS AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL.

LT BRENNAN THEN GAVE ME A SECOND MISSION, NAMELY TO CLEAR THE GROUND FLOOR AREA SOUTHEAST OF THE CAFETERIA. I FORMED ANOTHER TEAM WITH SERGEANTS LOAR AND ROMANIEC; WE BEGAN A SYSTEMATIC SEARCH OF THE AREA. ALL ROOMS WERE CLEAR. AGENT KRAEMER HAD TO USE TWO SHOK-LOK ROUNDS TO GET IN A LOCKED JANITOR'S CLOSET. I MENTALLY NOTED THE LOCATION OF FIVE DIFFERENT SPOTS WHERE EXPLOSIVES HAD DETONATED, AND WHERE PIECES OF BOMB FRAGMENTS

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(BOTH PIPE AND PROPANE) REMAINED.

ONCE THIS MISSION WAS FINISHED, LT BRENNAN HAD ME RETURN TO THE TACTICAL OPERATIONS CENTER. THERE HE GAVE ME A THIRD MISSION: TO CONDUCT A MICRO-SEARCH OF THE ENTIRE GROUND FLOOR FOR SUSPECTS OR VICTIMS. I RE-FORMED THE TEAM AND WE ACCOMPLISHED THIS MISSION WITHOUT INCIDENT. SERGEANT ROMANIEC AND AGENT KRAEMER USED TWO ADDITIONAL SHOK-LIK ROUNDS TO OPEN A DOOR IN THE KITCHEN THAT HAD BEEN LOCKED.

I INSTRUCTED OUR PEOPLE TO CONDUCT A FURTHER SEARCH OF THE PARKING LOT FOR THE MERCEDES, WHICH HAD NOT YET BEEN LOCATED. SGT LOAR DISCOVERED A BLACK BMW WHICH MATCHED THE DESCRIPTION (WITH "NIN" DECAL) AND MOLOTOV COCKTAILS IN PLAIN VIEW INSIDE OF THE CAR.

FURTHERMORE, WE ALSO LOCATED A BLUE DATSUN WITH AN "NIN" DECAL IN A WINDOW, WITH A BACKPACK VISIBLE ON THE BACK SEAT. IT WAS ABOUT TEN YARDS FROM THE DECEASED STUDENT WE HAD LEFT BEHIND DURING THE RESCUE. BY THE BACK BUMPER WERE A NUMBER OF WHAT APPEARED TO BE .223 CALIBER SHELL CASINGS.

INFORMATION ON BOTH CARS, INCLUDING LICENSE PLATES, WAS RELAYED TO DISPATCH FOR LISTINGS AND HARD COPIES.

MEMBERS OF THE ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND FIREARMS DENVER OFFICE / TACTICAL TEAM ARRIVED. I WAS TOLD BY LT BRENNAN THAT THE FBI WAS GOING TO SECURE ALL DOORS, AT WHICH POINT WE WERE TO TURN OVER THE SCENE TO THEM. AFTER A PERIOD OF TIME, SGT STREETER INFORMED ME THAT THE FBI WAS NOT GOING TO APPROACH CLOSER THAN THE PARKING LOT ABOUT 30 YARDS SOUTH OF THE CAFETERIA. SGT STREETER CONFIRMED WITH THE FBI THAT THIS WAS OUR "OFFICIAL" POINT OF RELIEF.

HAVING SEEN OBVIOUS ITEMS OF EVIDENTIARY VALUE INSIDE, I WANTED TO BE SURE THAT THESE ITEMS WERE MARKED TO CRIME SCENE PERSONNEL. SINCE ATF AGENTS WERE ALREADY WELL WITHIN THE FBI PERIMETER, I CONTACTED ATF AGENT JEFF BROWSE AND TOURED THE CAFETERIA AREA WITH HIM AND SGT ROMANIEC. I POINTED OUT THE EXPLOSION POINTS AND THE SHOK-LOK'D DOORS TO AGENT BROWSE.

I THEN REPORTED TO THE FBI AGENT CLOSEST TO THE CAFETERIA (AGENT RICHARD GILL). I REMANDED CUSTODY OF THE LAKEWOOD PORTION OF THE

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CRIME SCENE TO HIS CONTROL.

MY ACTIONS FROM THIS POINT CONSISTED OF REGROUPING THE TEAM,
INVENTORYING EQUIPMENT, AND THEN REPORTING TO LEAWOOD ELEMENTARY
FOR THE SHOOT TEAM DEBRIEFING. I SUBSEQUENTLY DROVE THE SWAT VAN
BACK TO OUR POLICE STATION AND SECURED IT PER PROCEDURE.

NOTES: FOR EXACT TIMES, REFER TO DISPATCH LOG.

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Sgt. Michael Smith 1092 4-26-99

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HITCHENS, J

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L A K E W O O D P O L I C E D E P A R T M E N T

offense: ASSIST TO OTHER AGENCY
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Agent: 1468 HITCHENS, JOHN
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S U P P L E M E N T

ON 4-20-99, AT APPROXIMATELY 1245 HRS. I RESPONDED TO THE LAKEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT IN RESPONSE TO A SWAT CALL OUT. I MET WITH AGENTS KRAEMER AND DEWHURST. AFTER SUITING UP, WE DROVE TO THE COLUMBINE H.S. AT 6201 S. PIERCE ST. WE WERE MET BY SGT HINKLE WHO TOOK US TO THE LITTLETON COMMAND POSITION. WE WERE TOLD THAT WE WERE GOING TO USE A LOOMIS ARMORED TRUCK AND LOCATE TWO SUSPECT VEHICLES IN THE SOUTH PARKING LOT. SGT HINKLE WAS TO RIDE IN THE TRUCK AND GIVE THE DRIVER DIRECTIONS. AGENTS KRAEMER AND DEWHURST WERE TO LOCATE THE CARS AND PLACE STOP STICKS UNDER THE TIRES AS TO STOP THE SUSPECTS FROM EFFECTING AN ESCAPE. I WAS TO PROVIDE COVER FOR KRAEMER AND DEWHURST WHEN THEY LEFT THE COVER OF THE TRUCK. WE TOOK OFF FROM THE COMMAND POST AT 1408 HRS. TO THE SOUTH PARKING LOT. AGENT DEWHURST LOCATED ONE OF THE SUSPECT'S CARS AND WENT WITH KRAEMER TO DISABLE THE CAR. THEY ADVISED ME THAT THEY HAD PLACED THE STOP STICKS AND IN THE PROCESS HAD DISCOVERED WHAT THEY BELIEVED TO BE AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE IN THE BACK SEAT OF THE CAR. (HONDA PRELUDE) I PASSED THAT INFORMATION TO SGT HINKLE. AFTER THE CAR HAD BEEN DISABLED, WE PROCEEDED ABOUT 25 YARDS FURTHER SOUTH THRU THE LOT. I SPOTTED A SIGN IN A WINDOW LOCATED ON THE SECOND FLOOR S/W CORNER OF THE SCHOOL. THE SIGN READ " I BLEEDING TO DEATH " I TOLD SGT HINKLE ABOUT THE SIGN AND WAS ADVISED THAT DENVER SWAT WAS HANDLING THE SECOND FLOOR. I SPOTTED MOVEMENT ON THE FIRST FLOOR AND A DENVER SWAT MEMBER MOTIONED ME OVER TO HIS POSITION. I WENT TO THE DOOR AND WAS GIVEN TWO VICTIMS. I CALLED AGENT KRAEMER OVER AND HE TOOK THE YOUNGER VICTIM AND I TOOK THE OLDER VICTIM BACK TO THE TRUCK. WE HAD NO PLACE TO SECURE THE TWO THAT WOULD BE AS SAFE AS THE TRUCK SO WE KEPT THEM WITH US. WE WERE JOINED BY SEVERAL OTHER OF OUR TEAM SOON AFTER WE TOOK THE VICTIMS. AT ABOUT 1440HRS. I SAW SOMEONE ON THE SECOND FLOOR ON THE SOUTH WALL OF THE SCHOOL. HE WAS BLEEDING AND WAS ATTEMPTING TO GET OUT OF THE ROOM (LIBRARY) I YELLED FOR HIM TO STAY WHERE HE WAS THAT WE WOULD COME AND GET HIM. HE APPEARED TO UNDERSTAND AND MOVED BACK INSIDE THE ROOM. WE DROVE THE TRUCK UP TO THE BROKEN OUT WINDOW AND SGT ROMANIEC AND AGENT KRAEMER GOT UP ON THE ROOF OF THE TRUCK TO ASSIST THE BOY OUT OF THE WINDOW. THE REST OF THE TEAM COVERED THE WINDOWS DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF AND ABOVE US. WHEN ROMANIEC AND KRAEMER GOT HIM DOWN TO THE ROOF, THEY PASSED HIM DOWN TO ME. THE BOY WAS BLEEDING FROM WOUNDS TO HIS RIGHT LEG HIP AND HE HAD SEVERAL CUTS ON THE REST OF HIS BODY. AGENT SAWYER AND I GOT HIM TO THE BACK OF THE TRUCK AND TRIED TO KEEP HIM AWAKE. KRAEMER GOT INTO THE TRUCK AND STAYED WITH THE BOY. THE TRUCK WENT BACK TO THE COMMAND SITE AND AS THEY LEFT, THEY PICKED UP THE FIRST TWO HOSTAGES. AFTER THE TRUCK LEFT, THE REMAINING TEAM TOOK A POSITION BEHIND THE CARS. WE SPOTTED MOVEMENT INSIDE THE GROUND LEVEL THAT APPEARED TO BE STUDENTS. WE MOVED UP TO THE FIRST ROW OF THE CARS SO WE COULD ASSIST THE STUDENTS AS THEY LEFT THE BUILDING. ABOUT 200 OR SO STUDENTS LEFT THE SCHOOL AND WERE EVACUATED

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TOWARDS THE NORTH. THE ARMORED TRUCK CAME BACK AND THE TEAM FELL IN BEHIND IT AS WE APPROACHED THE LUNCH ROOM DOORS. WE ENTERED THE BUILDING AND CONDUCTED A SEARCH ON THE FIRST FLOOR S/E. WE DID NOT LOCATE ANY STUDENTS AND THE ONLY INCIDENT WAS AGENT KRAEMER USING HIS SHOTGUN TO SHOT-LOCK A DOOR THAT WAS LOCKED. WE ENTERED THE LUNCH ROOM. THE SPRINKLER/ FIRE SYSTEM WAS ACTIVATED AND THERE WAS A COUPLE INCHES OF WATER ON THE FLOOR. ON THE STEPS LEADING UP TO THE LIBRARY, THERE WERE SEVERAL SPEND SHELL CASINGS AND AN UNEXPLODED PROPANE CANISTER. IN THE LUNCH ROOM ITSELF, THERE WERE SEVERAL PIPE BOMBS THAT HAD DETONATED. WE WERE CALLED UP TO ASSIST DENVER SWAT ON THE SECOND FLOOR. AGENT DEWHURST AND I WENT UPSTAIRS AND WERE TOLD TO COVER DOWN THE HALLWAY TO THE EAST. WE TOOK UP A POSITION NEXT TO THE LIBRARY. I COULD SEE SEVERAL BODIES ON THE GROUND INSIDE THE ROOM. THEY WERE UNDER CHAIRS AND DESKS. IT APPEARED THAT THEY HAD BEEN SHOT IN THE HEAD. WE WERE CALLED BACK TO OUR STAGING AREA IN THE LUNCH ROOM. WE WERE TOLD TO CONDUCT A MICRO SEARCH ON THE FIRST FLOOR. AFTER THAT SEARCH WAS COMPLETED, WE LEFT THE BUILDING. ATF ARRIVED AND I TOOK ONE OF THEIR AGENTS TO THE CAR THAT HAD THE EXPLOSIVE IN THE BACK SEAT. HE TOLD ME THAT THE JEFFCO BOMB UNIT WOULD BE TAKING CHARGE OF THE SCENE BUT HE WOULD PASS THE INFORMATION ALONG. I TOOK ANOTHER ATF AGENT INSIDE AND SHOWED HIM THE UNEXPLODED UNIT AS WELL AS THE PIPE BOMBS. WE WERE THEN RELIEVED AND SENT BACK TO THE COMMAND POST.

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Sergeant: *Amil J. Bennett*

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KIMMEY, K

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offense: 1ST DEGREE MURDER
Victim:
Agent: 1528 KIMMEY, KEVIN
Inv Agt:

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S U P P L E M E N T

ON 042099 AT ABOUT 1351 HOURS SERGEANT LOAR AND I ADVISED DISPATCH THAT WE WERE ENROUTE TO THE COMMAND POST ON S PIERCE ST, SOUTH OF W BOWLES AVENUE. WE ARRIVED AT THE LPD SWAT VAN ABOUT 20 TO 25 MINUTES LATER. ABOUT 10 MINUTES LATER WE WALKED UP TO THE AREA ON THE EAST SIDE. I REMAINED AT THAT LOCATION FOR APPROXIMATELY 15 TO 25 MINUTES. DURING THAT TIME PART OF THE LPD TEAM HAD MADE ENTRY FROM THESE EAST DOORS AND I OBSERVED AS GROUPS OF STUDENTS WERE ESCORTED OUT OF THE BUILDING.

I NOTED AN ARMORED CAR RETURN TO THIS LOCATION AND AN INJURED STUDENT WAS TAKEN OFF OF THE VEHICLE. WITHIN ABOUT 5 MINUTES, I WAS ASSIGNED TO RIDE IN THE ARMORED VEHICLE TO RETURN TO THE SOUTH WEST CORNER OF THE HIGH SCHOOL. WE STAGED IN THE PARKING LOT AND WALKED UP BEHIND THE ARMORED VEHICLE UNTIL WE WERE FAIRLY CLOSE TO THE CAFETERIA DOORS. WE RAN INTO THE CAFETERIA AREA.

I NOTED A DENVER SWAT OFFICER (GRAY) ON THE STAIRS FROM THE CAFETERIA TO THE SECOND FLOOR. I WAS TEAMED UP WITH AGT BEATTIE AND ALONG WITH OTHER TEAM MEMBERS WE BEGAN TO CLEAR ROOMS OFF OF THE FIRST TWO HALLWAYS TO THE EAST OF THE ENTRANCE TO THE CAFETERIA. AFTER THIS WAS ACCOMPLISHED, WE RETURNED TO THE CAFETERIA TO AWAIT ADDITIONAL ORDERS.

WHILE IN THE CAFETERIA, I NOTICED BURN MARKS IN AT LEAST THREE SPOTS ON THE FLOOR WHERE SOME SORT OF EXPLOSION HAD OCCURRED. I SAW THE REMAINS OF PIPE BOMBS (PIPES, PIPE CAPS, NAILS) AND A PROPANE CYLINDER WITH DUCT TAPE WRAPPED AROUND IT. I ALSO SAW WHAT APPEARED TO BE 9MM CASINGS ON THE LANDING BETWEEN THE FIRST AND SECOND FLOORS. THE FIRE ALARM WAS SOUNDING AND THE FLOOR WAS FLOODED FROM THE FIRE SPRINKLERS.

A SHORT WHILE LATER I WAS ASSIGNED TO ASSIST WITH DOING A MICRO SEARCH OF THE KITCHEN AREA OF THE CAFETERIA. AGENT BEATTIE AND I WERE AGAIN PAIRED UP AND WE CLEARED ALL OF THE KITCHEN AREA. WE MADE NOTE OF ONE DOOR IN THE REAR OF THE KITCHEN THAT WE COULD NOT ENTER. WE LATER RETURNED WITH AGT KRAEMER TO SHOCK LOCK THE DOOR SO THE ROOM COULD BE CLEARED. IT WAS CLEAR.

DURING THIS KITCHEN CLEARANCE, I NOTICED A BODY OUTSIDE THE WEST SIDE OF THE CAFETERIA. IT WAS MOSTLY COVERED WITH A WHITE SHEET. AGT SWAINSON, AGT BEATTIE AND SGT ROMANIEC AND I ALSO CLEARED IN THE CEILING OF THE TEACHER'S LOUNGE.

AFTER THIS CLEARANCE I WENT OUTSIDE WITH THE REST OF THE TEAM. SHORTLY AFTER THAT, SGT LOAR ASSIGNED AGT BEATTIE AND ME TO LOOK IN THE PARKING LOT TO THE SOUTH AND EAST OF THE CAFETERIA ENTRANCE. WE WERE TO LOOK FOR

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N OLDER BLACK MERCEDES BENZ WITH A "NIN" BUMPER STICKER. WE FOUND ONLY ONE BLACK MERCEDES BENZ IN THAT PARTICULAR LOT. IT WAS IN THE FAR SOUTH OF THE LOT AND TWO DENVER OFFICERS WERE STANDING NEAR IT. I ALSO SAW A DARK COMPACT FOREIGN CAR (POSSIBLY A HONDA) WITH STOP STICKS BEHIND IT. I SAW A BLANKET IN THE BACK SEAT COVERING SOME TYPE OF LARGE OBJECT.

I RETURNED TO THE FRONT OF THE CAFETERIA WHERE I REMAINED UNTIL I WAS TOLD TO RETURN WITH THE REST OF THE TEAM TO THE LPD SWAT VAN.

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offense: HOMICIDE
Victim: COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL
Agent: 1299 KRAEMER, DONN
Inv Agt:

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S U P P L E M E N T

OBSERVATION/INVESTIGATION: ON 04-20-99 I WAS INSTRUCTING LPD POLICE ACADEMY RECRUITS AT THE RANGE ON PISTOL SHOOTING TECHNIQUES. OTHER RANGE STAFF MEMBERS AND I MONITORED THE SITUATION AT COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL AND THAT ON-DUTY S.W.A.T. TEAM PERSONNEL HAD BEEN DIRECTED TO RESPOND THERE TO ASSIST. I CONFIRMED WITH LT. BRENNAN HIS NEED FOR ADDITIONAL TACTICAL AGENTS AND THEN RESPONDED TO LPD WITH AGTS. HITCHENS AND DEWHURST.

AT LPD THE 3 OF US DONNED TACTICAL GEAR AND LOADED OUR EQUIPMENT INTO A MARKED PATROL CAR AND THE PROPERTY VAN (THE LATTER FOR USE AS A RESCUE VEHICLE). WE RESPONDED TO COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL, PARKED OUR VEHICLES, AND REPORTED TO THE LPD S.W.A.T. VAN/COMMAND POST. SGT. HINKLE SHORTLY THEREAFTER DIRECTED US TO GET A SET OF "ROAD-SPIKE" TIRE DEFLATORS WHICH WE LOADED ONTO A VOLUNTEERED "LOOMIS ARMORED CAR SERVICE" TRUCK. WITH SGT. HINKLE IN THE PASSENGER SEAT AND AGTS. HITCHENS, DEWHURST, AND MYSELF WALKING/RIDING BEHIND ON FOOT, WE WENT TO LOCATE TWO POSSIBLE SUSPECT CARS IN THE S. PARKING LOT OF THE SCHOOL. WE SOON FOUND THE DESCRIBED CAR, A BLK. 2-DOOR HONDA WITH A "RAMSTEIN" STICKER ON THE BACK WINDSHIELD. WITH COVER FROM AGT. DEWHURST, I DEPLOYED THE TIRE DEFLATORS BEHIND THE SUSPECT VEHICLE. I THEN LOOKED IN AND DISCOVERED AN OBJECT ON THE BACK RIGHT-SIDE SEAT, COVERED WITH A BLANKET. VIA THE OPEN DRIVER'S WINDOW, I MOVED THE BLANKET SLOWLY AND SLIGHTLY ASIDE AND THEREUPON SAW WHAT APPEARED TO BE A SPHERICAL PROPANE TANK OR SIMILAR CONTAINER. BASED UPON EARLIER RADIOED REPORTS OF PIPE-BOMBS, I PRESUMED THAT THIS TANK MIGHT BE BOOBY-TRAPPED OR SIMILARLY RIGGED TO EXPLODE. I TOLD AGT. DEWHURST AND WE RETURNED TO THE TRUCK, THEREBY ADVISING SGT. HINKLE.

WE CONTINUED DRIVING SLOWLY W/B THROUGH THE S. PARKING LOT OF THE SCHOOL, LOOKING FOR THE OTHER SUSPECT CAR. WE OBSERVED SOME STUDENTS WAVING AT US FROM A SECOND-FLOOR E. WING WINDOW. WE INDICATED TO THEM TO STAY WHERE THEY WERE AND THEY GAVE US A "THUMBS UP", INDICATING THEIR ASSENT. WE NEXT OBSERVED A HAND-MADE SIGN IN A SECOND-FLOOR WINDOW W. OF THE STUDENTS NEAR THE MAIN S. ENTRANCE. IT SAID "HELP I'M BLEEDING TO DEATH". RELAYING THIS INFORMATION TO THE COMMAND POST, WE WERE ADVISED THAT DPD S.W.A.T. UNITS WERE ON THAT FLOOR AND WOULD HANDLE THAT SITUATION.

AGT. HITCHENS OBSERVED A DOOR OPENING SLIGHTLY ON THE GROUND FLOOR JUST BELOW THE "HELP" SIGN. HE WENT TO THE DOOR AND DIRECTED ME TO JOIN HIM TO ASSIST. I TOOK A YOUNG WHITE MALE, LOUIS SCILIPPEPI, 030981, BACK TO THE SAFETY OF THE ARMORED TRUCK, AND AGT. HITCHENS FOLLOWED WITH AN OLDER WHITE MALE ADULT. AT THIS POINT, A CHANNEL 4 NEWS HELICOPTER SWOOPED IN VERY LOW FOR A CAMERA SHOT, KICKING UP LOTS OF DUST/DEBRIS. I ASKED SGT. HINKLE TO RADIO THE COMMAND POST TO HAVE THE COPTER BACK OFF BECAUSE IT WAS

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JEOPARDIZING OUR MISSION; IT SUBSEQUENTLY DID SO. AT MY REQUEST, LOUIS SCILIPPEPI GAVE ME A VERBAL DESCRIPTIVE FLOORPLAN OF THE AREA WITHIN THE S. MAIN DOORS ADJACENT TO THE CAFETERIA.

WE NEXT MAINTAINED OUR POSITION AS SGT. ROMANIEC AND HIS TEAM (AGTS. SAWYER, SLATER, AND WILSON) JOINED US. SHORTLY THEREAFTER I OBSERVED A BLOODIED YOUNG WHITE MALE ADULT AT THE SECOND FLOOR, S.W. WING, LIBRARY WINDOW WHICH WAS BROKEN OUT. THE MALE WAS LEANING OUT THE WINDOW IN AN APPARENT EFFORT TO LEAVE THE BUILDING DESPITE HIS HEAD-FIRST DROP TO THE GROUND BELOW. I YELLED AT HIM TO STAY THERE. HE LOOKED IN MY DIRECTION BUT SEEMED OBVIOUS TO MY DIRECTIONS. HE CONTINUED TO SQUIRM FORWARD OVER THE WINDOW SILL. I THEREFORE SUGGESTED TO SGTS. HINKLE AND ROMANIEC THAT WE NEEDED TO MAKE AN IMMEDIATE RESCUE OF THIS MALE BEFORE HE DROPPED HIMSELF FROM THE SECOND FLOOR OPENING. THEY AGREED, AND A PORTION OF THE TEAM STARTED FORWARD, USING THE ARMORED TRUCK AS COVER.

I HAD THE DRIVER'S SIDE DOOR OPEN SO THAT I COULD COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH THE TRUCK OPERATOR, GUIDING HIM OVER CURBS AND PAST TREES, BICYCLE RACKS, AND STUDENT BACKPACKS. AS THE TRUCK CAME ABREAST OF AND UNDER THE WINDOW, I DIRECTED THE DRIVER TO STOP AS I RAN TO THE FRONT OF THE VEHICLE AND CLIMBED UP OVER THE HOOD AND ONTO THE TRUCK'S ROOF. SGT. ROMANIEC FOLLOWED, AND WE EACH GRABBED AN ARM OF THE SUBJECT AS HE REACHED OUT TO US. WE WERE COVERED BY S.W.A.T. AGENTS ON THE GROUND POINTING THEIR WEAPONS AT THE WINDOWS TOWARDS POTENTIAL UNSEEN SUSPECTS. THE STUDENT WAS COVERED IN BLOOD AND WAS SQUIRMING HIS WAY OUT OF THE WINDOW.

THE POSITIONING OF THE TRUCK (2-3 FEET FROM THE WALL OF THE BUILDING) AND THE STUDENT (STILL 9-10 FEET ABOVE THE TRUCK'S ROOF) NEGATED OUR ABILITY TO MAINTAIN A GRIP OTHER THAN ON HIS ARMS. AS HIS KNEES AND ANKLES CLEARED THE WINDOW SILL, SGT. ROMANIEC AND I PULLED HIM FORWARD TO US AS WE FELL ONTO THE TRUCK'S ROOF. WE THEN LOWERED THE STUDENT TO AGT. HITCHENS ON THE GROUND LEVEL BELOW US. ONCE AGT. HITCHENS HAD A HOLD OF THE YOUNG MAN AND BEGAN TO CARRY HIM TO THE SAFETY OF THE BACK OF THE TRUCK, SGT. ROMANIEC AND I CRAWLED DOWN FROM ATOP THE VEHICLE.

AGAIN OPENING THE DRIVER'S DOOR, I DIRECTED HIM INTO REVERSE, SLOWLY BACKING UP AND RETRACING OUR APPROACH PATH AS THE S.W.A.T. AGENTS COVERED THE WINDOWS FOR POSSIBLE SUSPECTS. IN THIS MANNER THE ARMORED TRUCK WOVE ITS WAY PAST THE TREES AND BIKE RACKS AND S/B TO OUR ORIGINAL STARTING POINT. THERE THE MAJORITY OF THE TEAM REDEPLOYED AND WENT TO COVER BEHIND AREA VEHICLES. I STAYED ON BOARD TO ESCORT THE TRUCK AND ITS THREE HOSTAGES TO A SAFE TRIAGE AREA ON THE SCHOOL'S E. SIDE. LOUIS SCILIPPEPI TRIED TO COMFORT THE BADLY INJURED FELLOW STUDENT, WHO WAS IN OBVIOUS SHOCK FROM HIS WOUNDS AND FROM THE ASSAULT. HE SAID HIS NAME WAS "RICK".

ONCE BACK AT THE COMMAND POST AREA, I YELLED AT NEARBY PARAMEDICS TO COME ATTEND TO "RICK". THE INJURED STUDENT WAS PLACED ONTO AN AMBULANCE STRETCHER AND TRANSPORTED FROM THE SCENE. LOUIS SCILIPPEPI AND THE OLDER WHITE MALE HOSTAGE WERE TURNED OVER TO COMMAND POST OFFICERS FOR OFFICIAL DEBRIEFING.

SGT. LOAR AND AGTS. BEATTIE AND KIMMEY JOINED SGT. HINKLE AND I AND WE SOON THEREAFTER RETURNED TO WHERE WE HAD LEFT THE REST OF THE S.W.A.T. TEAM. IT HAD BEEN DIRECTED THAT THIS TEAM'S NEXT MISSION WAS TO CLEAR THE S.E. OFFICE AND CLASSROOM AREAS E. OF THE CAFETERIA. BEHIND COVER OF THE

ARMORED TRUCK, WE APPROACHED THE S. MAIN DOORS AND ENTERED, ENCOUNTERING SOME DPD S.W.A.T. TEAM PERSONNEL ON THE STAIRS INSIDE.

THE CAFETERIA AREA WAS FLOODED FROM ACTIVATED OVERHEAD CEILING FIRE SPRINKLERS, PUTTING UP TO 6 INCHES OF WATER OVER THE ENTIRE FLOOR AND RUNNING OUT THE E.-MOST CAFETERIA DOOR. THERE WERE STUDENT BACKPACKS STREWN THROUGHOUT THE LARGE ROOM AMONGST THE TABLES AND CHAIRS. AT THE E. END OF THIS AREA I OBSERVED A DISCOLORATION ON THE FLOOR INDICATIVE OF AN EXPLOSIVE DETONATION. NEARBY WAS THE LOWER PART OF WHAT APPEARED TO BE A PIPE-BOMB FILLED WITH NAILS; A PIPE END-CAP WAS ON THE STAIRS NEARBY, ALONG WITH ANOTHER SIMILAR DISCOLORATION AND A SMALL PROPANE BOTTLE WITH DUCT TAPE REMNANTS. THERE WERE NAILS AND 9MM SHELLS CASINGS ON THE LANDING.

AT SGT. HINKLE'S DIRECTION, THE S.W.A.T. TEAMS PROCEEDED E/B INTO THE ASSIGNED AREA, CLEARING ROOMS AND OFFICES. MOST OF THE DOORS WE FOUND HAD THE WIRE-MESH-REINFORCED GLASS BROKEN OUT, GIVING ACCESS TO THE INTERIOR DOOR HANDLE. SOME OTHER DOORS WERE EITHER UNLOCKED OR OPEN. ONE SOLID WOOD DOOR WAS LOCKED AND HAD OBVIOUS SIGNS OF AN ATTEMPTED AND FAILED MECHANICAL BREACH TO ITS HANDLE. I WAS DIRECTED TO DEFEAT THE LOCK WITH MY SHOTGUN. I FIRED 2 FRANGIBLE SLUG BREACHING ROUNDS WHICH SHEARED THE LOCK MECHANISM, GIVING ACCESS INTO A SMALL JANITORIAL CLOSET WHICH WAS UNOCCUPIED. THE TEAM THEN CONTINUED THROUGH THE WING, CHECKING FOR ADDITIONAL VICTIMS, SUSPECTS, ORDINANCE, AND WEAPONS. IN ONE AREA, ALONG THE LENGTH OF A WALL AND JUST ABOVE THE FLOOR, WAS A 3-4 FOOT LONG GOUGE INDICATIVE OF A POSSIBLE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE'S IMPACT.

SUBSEQUENT TO THIS, WHILE STANDING ON THE STAIRS FROM THE GROUND FLOOR TO THE SECOND (LIBRARY) FLOOR, I WAS ASKED BY A DPD METRO S.W.A.T. TEAM OFFICER IF WE COULD TAKE OVER A PORTION OF THE HALLWAY AT THE TOP OF THESE STAIRS. SGT. ROMANIEC CONSENTED, AND AGT. WILSON AND I POSITIONED OURSELVES THERE. IN A SMALL S.-FACING ROOM NEAR THE STAIRS, IN THE APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHERE I HAD SEEN THE "HELP" SIGN, I OBSERVED A WHITE MALE ADULT, SHIRTLESS, LYING ON HIS BACK, HEAD TO THE N., APPARENTLY DECEASED. I ALSO OBSERVED, VIA THE LIBRARY HALLWAY WINDOWS, SEVERAL OTHER BODIES LYING WITHIN THAT LARGE ROOM. THE CLOSEST APPEARED TO BE THAT OF A YOUNG FEMALE IN A SHORT DARK SKIRT WEARING HIGHHEEL SHOES, HEAD TO THE W.

WE SOON THEREAFTER LEFT THAT AREA, RELIEVED BY ANOTHER S.W.A.T. TEAM'S OFFICERS, AND PROCEEDED BACK DOWNSTAIRS. WE WERE DIRECTED TO PERFORM ANOTHER METHODOICAL SEARCH OF THE SAME AREA THAT WE HAD PREVIOUSLY DONE, THIS TIME MARKING ALL CLEARED ROOMS WITH "CLR LPD xxxx", INDICATING "CLEAR", "LAKWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT", AND THE TIME. AFTER THIS WE WENT OUTSIDE TO AWAIT FURTHER MISSIONS.

AT APPROX. 1625 HRS. I WAS DIRECTED BY SGT. ROMANIEC TO GO TO THE KITCHEN AREA TO BREACH ANOTHER LOCKED SOLID WOOD DOOR. AFTER I FIRED 2 FRANGIBLE SLUG ROUNDS INTO THE LOCK MECHANISM, THE DOOR YIELDED TO MY SHOULDERING IT INWARDS. THIS ROOM, TOO, WAS UNOCCUPIED. I THEN RETURNED OUTSIDE AND AWAITED CLEARANCE FROM THE SCENE. WE WALKED AS A TEAM FROM THE S. SIDE OF THE SCHOOL AT APPROX. 1700 HRS., RETURNING TO THE LPD S.W.A.T. VAN.

WE WERE SUBSEQUENTLY DIRECTED TO RESPOND TO LEEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SOME 5 BLOCKS E. OF OUR LOCATION, FOR A DEBRIEFING BY PSYCHOLOGIST JOHN NICOLETTI. AFTERWARDS, I WAS INTERVIEWED FOR A SHORT TIME BY JEFFERSON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S INVESTIGATOR JOHN LAUCK REGARDING MY SHOTGUN

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AND THE 4 ROUNDS I HAD FIRED.

AGT. HITCHENS AND I THEN DROVE BACK TO LPD FOR A TEAM DEBRIEFING AT ABOUT
1830 HRS. I LEFT LPD AT APPROXIMATELY 2045 HRS.

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Debra Grainger, Commander
Arvada Police Department

FROM: John Lauck, Investigator

DATE: April 21, 1999

SUBJECT: Columbine High School, 99-7625

Officer Don Kraemer
Lakewood Police Department
Weapon: Shotgun, 12 gauge Remington, model 870, "WP"
Serial number, W329083M

On April 21, 1999, I interviewed Officer Donn Kraemer, a member of the Lakewood Police Department's SWAT team. Officer Kraemer participated with other SWAT team members in the initial entry into the school. Officer Kraemer fired two rounds into a door striking near the door's mechanism to facilitate access into a janitor's closet. He also fired two rounds into a door in the same manner allowing entry into the kitchen area. Each of the rounds fired were frangible slug loads, also referred to as "door breaching rounds." The expended shotgun cartridges were left where they fell onto the floor.

Nothing further at this time.

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Agent: 1495 LOAR, EDGAR
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S U P P L E M E N T

INVESTIGATION/OBSERVATION

ON TUESDAY APRIL 20TH AT APPROXIMATELY 1330 HOURS, I RESPONDED TO COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL TO ASSIST OFFICERS WITH A "SHOTS FIRED CALL" AT THE SCHOOL. AGENT KIMMEY ACCOMPANIED ME TO THE AREA WHERE WE MET UP WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE TEAM.

TWO TEAMS HEADED UP BY SERGEANTS STREETER AND ROMANIEC WERE ALREADY IN PLACE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE SCHOOL. I WAS INSTRUCTED TO STANDBY AT THE TACTICAL COMMAND POST UNTIL NEEDED.

SHORTLY AFTER ARRIVING AT THE COMMAND POST, SEVERAL STUDENTS EXITED THE SCHOOL (EAST SIDE) AND RAN TOWARDS OUR LOCATION. I ASSISTED WITH USHERING THE KIDS FROM THE SCHOOL TO A STAGING AREA WHERE THEY WERE SEARCHED AND HANDED OFF TO ANOTHER TEAM FOR DEBRIEFING. I HELPED WITH THREE SEPARATE GROUPS OF STUDENTS BEFORE BEING ASSIGNED ANOTHER MISSION.

LAKWOOD SWAT MEMBERS HAD RADIOED THAT THEY HAD JUST PERFORMED A RESCUE OF A STUDENT AND WERE ENROUTE TO OUR LOCATION. THE TEAM MEMBERS ARRIVED AT THE COMMAND POST IN A ARMORED VEHICLE. UPON THEIR ARRIVAL, I HELPED WITH THE WOUNDED STUDENT AND TWO OTHER COMPANIONS.

I ACCOMPANIED MEMBERS OF THE TEAM BACK TO THE SCHOOL WHERE WE MADE ENTRY INTO THE SOUTH DOORS. WE WERE TASKED WITH CLEARING THE SOUTHEAST WING, CAFETERIA, AND AUDITORIUM. DURING THE SEARCH, TWO LOCKED DOORS HAD TO BE BREECHED BY SHOTGUN. ASIDE FROM THOSE TWO SHOTS, NO OTHER ROUNDS WERE FIRED.

ONCE THOSE SEARCHES WERE DONE, WE REMAINED IN THE CAFETERIA AREA AND AWAITED FURTHER INSTRUCTION. WE WERE TOLD TO "MICRO SEARCH" THE SAME AREA AGAIN BEFORE DECLARING IT SAFE. WE PERFORMED THAT FUNCTION AND THEN REMAINED NEAR THE MAIN (SOUTH) ENTRANCE.

AT THE REQUEST OF THE COMMAND POST, I GATHERED A TEAM OF FOUR SWAT MEMBERS AND BEGAN TO SEARCH THE SOUTH PARKING LOT FOR ANY SUSPECT VEHICLE(S). AGENTS KIMMEY AND BEATTY CHECKED THE SOUTHEAST LOT WHILE AGENT DEWHURST AND I CHECKED THE SOUTHWEST. WE LOCATED A BLUE NISSAN SENTRA NEAR THE SPOT WHERE ONE OF THE DECEASED STUDENTS LAY. THE CAR HAD STICKERS ON IT THAT READ "NIN", "I HATE EVERYBODY", AND A PICTURE OF BORIS YELTSIN. APPROXIMATELY 100 FEET SOUTHWEST OF THAT VEHICLE WE FOUND WHAT APPEARED TO BE ONE OF THE SUSPECT VEHICLES. IT WAS A BLACK BMW WITH SIMILAIR BUMPER STICKERS ON IT. INSIDE WE COULD CLEARLY SEE A HOMEMADE MOLITOV COCKTAIL, LIVE AMMUNITION,

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AND OTHER ITEMS OF CONCERN. WE NOTIFIED THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT WHO IN TURN
CONSULTED WITH THE ATF. THE CAR WAS SECURED IN AN AREA MARKED OFF WITH
CRIME SCENE TAPE.

THE LAKEWOOD SWAT TEAM REMAINED AT THE SCHOOL UNTIL RELIEVED BY MEMBERS OF
THE FBI TEAM.

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ON 04-20-99 I RESPONDED TO W. BOWLES AND S. PIGGIE TO ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES AT COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL. UPON ARRIVAL I MET WITH LT. BRENNAN ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL. THE INCIDENT WAS OVER AND THE SCHOOL WAS SECURED BY SEVERAL OTHER SWAT TEAMS.

LT. BRENNAN INSTRUCTED ME TO MEET WITH PARAMEDICS ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL. I MET WITH THE PARAMEDICS TO ESCORT THEM INTO THE SCHOOL TO CONFIRM THE DEAD. I ESCORTED THE PARAMEDICS TO THE LIBRARY WHERE MOST OF THE DEAD WERE LOCATED. IN THE LIBRARY SEVERAL POLICE OFFICERS WERE ON CRIME SCENE SECURITY. TWO PARAMEDICS WERE INSTRUCTED INTO THE LIBRARY. OTHER OFFICIALS SCOUTED THE PARAMEDICS AROUND THE LIBRARY TO CONFIRM THE DEAD. I THEN LEFT THE AREA AND WENT TO THE LAKESWOOD COMMAND POST.

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ROMANIEC, J

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L A K E W O O D P O L I C E D E P A R T M E N T

Offense: Death Investigation
Victim: Columbine HS students/faculty
Agent: 1330 ROMANIEC, JOHN
Inv Agt:
Dispo: DEATH OF OFFENDER

CR#: 99038856
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Date: 04/20/99

S U P P L E M E N T

At approximately 1145 hours, 04/20/99, I, Sergeant J. Romaniec was notified of shooting that had occurred at Columbine High School. SWAT Teams from various metro agencies were responding to assist. I was transported to the scene via the SWAT van, which was driven by Agent Gregg Slater and also occupied by Sergeant George Hinkle and Agent Marc Direzza. We arrived at South Pierce Street, south of West Bowles Avenue at approximately 1250 hours.

After gearing up, Sergeant Jeff Streeter and I were assigned to team up with DPD Metro SWAT. We were escorted from South Pierce Street to a location on the NW side of Columbine HS where we met DPD Officers. A Denver PD supervisor requested that two LPD SWAT agents relieve two DPD SWAT officers who were guarding exits along the north side of the high school. Agents Gerald Bartlett and Direzza, who were armed with AR15s, were assigned that task. Two other LPD agents were requested to cover doors on the west side of the high school and Agents Joe Wray and Pat Wilson were given that assignment.

A concern was voiced regarding the possibility that undiscovered explosives were possibly in the vicinity of where DPD and LPD SWAT agents had staged, i.e. the NW side. Agents Brent Sawyer and Bob Swainson were assigned to search under cars parked in the vicinity of the DPD SWAT van. Each agent was given a mirror from DPD for that task.

A concern was also voiced from DPD personnel that the high school roof was not secured and a request was made to have LPD SWAT agents ascend to the roof. Sergeant Streeter, Agents Wray and Wilson ascended to the roof, along with one DPD officer, who was dressed in civilian clothing. SWAT agents ascended to the roof at about 1348 hours. Directions were received from Lieutenant Dan Brennan to stand down from the roof and at approximately 1359 hours the agents descended. Directions were subsequently given by Lieutenant Brennan to reassemble the contingent of LPD SWAT at the SWAT Command Post for the incident.

Upon arrival at the SWAT Command Post, I was directed by Lieutenant Brennan to assist Sergeant Hinkle and a team of LPD SWAT agents in the search for two suspect vehicles, which were apparently parked in the south parking lot of the high school. A description of the vehicles, a black Honda and a black Mercedes, had been radioed earlier by the Communications Center. Sergeant Hinkle, along with Agents Kraemer, Dewhurst, and Hitchens had already departed from the command post with an armored car. Agents Wilson

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nd Sawyer and I departed from the command post on foot to the south parking lot. Sergeant Streeter and the remaining SWAT personnel stayed at the command post for another mission. See Sergeant Streeter's report for details of that assignment. While enroute to the south parking lot, I observed the Channel 4 helicopter hovering very low on the west side of the high school, by the glass rotund section which was identified as the cafeteria, with the library located above on the second floor. The hovering helicopter was kicking up dust and debris and the noise made it difficult to hear radio transmissions.

When I arrived at the armored car, I was briefed by Agent Kraemer who indicated they had located the Honda and had placed "stop sticks" behind the wheels. A large propane type tank had been found in the Honda and it was believed the tank may be an explosive device. Agent Kraemer also informed me that he had observed a handprinted sign in a second floor window which said, "I'm bleeding to death."

At approximately 1430 hours, a student was observed leaning out a second story window. The window was shattered and the opening was about 3'X4'. Agents were shouting to the student not to jump and to hang on. We were aware that SWAT Teams had been moving inside the high school, although we did not know exact locations for the teams. Information regarding the student was radioed, however, at this point in the operation radio batteries were low and it is not known if the transmission was received. It was evident by watching this student that he was determined to remove himself from the library. It was decided that a rescue attempt would be made by using the armored car. With Sergeant Hinkle directing the armored car driver, SWAT agents, using the cover of the armored car, moved toward the southwest side of the high school. The SWAT agents consisted of Agents Kraemer, Dewhurst, Hitchens, and Sawyer. The armored car came to a stop along side the building directly below the student. It was evident the student was badly injured and would need help. Agent Kraemer ascended to the roof of the armored car and called for assistance. I went up onto the armored car's roof. The student's arms were grabbed and he kicked himself to the outside. Agent Kraemer and I held onto him as he fell to the outside. His momentum swung his body down and he slammed against the armored car. The student was lowered to Agent Hitchens. I climbed off the armored car and assisted Agent Hitchens in placing the student into the back of the armored car. The armored car was guided back out to the parking lot. Agent Dewhurst was inside the back of the armored car and he talked to the student, who appeared to be losing consciousness. Information was radioed to the command post that a student had been evacuated and he was in need of immediate medical attention.

Once the armored car departed the parking lot, Agents Hitchens, Sawyer, Wilson and I sought cover behind cars.

Sergeant Hinkle returned a short time later with Sergeant Loar, Agent Kimmey and Agent Beattie. Sergeant Hinkle briefed team members reference a mission to assist SWAT Teams inside the high school in clearing the school. Once again, the armored car was used to make the approach to the high school. Entry to the school was made at approximately 1456 hours, per communications recording.

Once inside the high school, contact was made with a lone DPD SWAT officer

hoindicated that the lower level had already been cleared by DPD SWAT. It was decided that the lower level, which consisted of the cafeteria, an auditorium, and a pod of classrooms would be searched again. During the search, two locked doors were found. One was a classroom door and the second was a door to a storage room located in the kitchen. Both of the doors were shoc loc'd to allow entry. The entry into the storage room occurred at the end of the micro-search.

While clearing the lower level of the high school, I observed the following: The sprinkler heads in the cafeteria had been activated and water was covering the floor, up to 3 inches in certain areas. Several hundred backpacks were strewn along the floor in the cafeteria. Ceiling tile had come down from the ceiling and light fixtures had been damaged. Two pipe bomb type devices were found on the floor in the cafeteria. Evidence of some type of explosion was apparent from possible gun powder residue on the floor. Also several large windows had been damaged probably as a result of the blast. Along the east west hallway leading to the lower classroom area, a large 4 foot gash was noted at the base of the south wall, most probably as a result of shrapnel from a blast. On the stairs which led to the main level of the high school, a small propane bottle with duct tape wrapped about the top was observed. Nails were also observed at various locations on the floor. In the teacher's lounge, several sections of ceiling tile were down. It was later learned that some teachers and/or students had attempted to hide in the ceiling and had apparently fallen through the ceiling. Although I did not specifically look for projectiles, I did observe one copper jacketed projectile embedded in a wall just outside the teacher's lounge.

Once the FBI SWAT Team secured the outside perimeter and ATF agents had been briefed and given a tour of the inside of the lower level of high school, the scene was released at approximately 1700 hours.

ADDITIONAL:

During the time LPD SWAT personnel were assisting DPD SWAT on the northwest side of the high school, several groups of students were evacuated from the school. Once these groups of 20 to 30 students reached SWAT personnel, they were searched for weapons. Information had been received that the suspects had possibly changed clothing and may attempt to escape the area by joining with the evacuated students.

Dispo: DEATH OF OFFENDER

Date: 04/20/99

Agent: 1330 ROMANIEC, JOHN
Sergeant: 1330 ROMANIEC, JOHN 04/21/99 17:26

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SAWYER, B.

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L A K E W O O D P O L I C E D E P A R T M E N T

offense: ASSIST OTHER AGENCY
Locim:
Agent: 1603 SAWYER, BRENT
Inv Agt:

CR#: 99038856
Date: 04/21/99
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S U P P L E M E N T

ON 04-20-99, AT ABOUT 1200 HRS, AGT SWAINSON AND I RESPONDED TO COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL RE THE REPORT OF SHOTS FIRED. UPON OUR ARRIVAL SWAINSON AND I TOOK UP A PERIMETER POSITION AT THE NORTH WEST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL IN CLEMENTS PARK. AFTER SOME TIME IN THE PARK IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE LAKEWOOD POLICE SWAT TEAM WOULD BE USED TO ASSIST IN OPERATIONS AT THE SCHOOL. AT THIS TIME AGT SWAINSON AND I LEFT OUR PERIMETER POSITIONS AND DRESSED OUT IN SWAT GEAR.

UPON THE ARRIVAL OF THE REST OF THE SWAT TEAM I WAS ASSIGNED TO GO WITH SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE TEAM TO ASSIST DENVER SWAT ON THE NORTH WEST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL. THERE I ASSISTED WITH THE EVACUATION OF NUMEROUS STUDENTS FROM THE SCHOOL. NOT KNOWING IF THE SUSPECTS HAD COME OUT WITH OTHER STUDENTS ALL STUDENTS WHO CAME OUT OF THE SCHOOL WERE PATTED DOWN AND CHECKED FOR WEAPONS. AT ONE POINT IT WAS DECIDED THAT ALL LAKEWOOD SWAT MEMBERS SHOULD MEET AT A COMMAND POST WHICH HAD BEEN SET UP IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL.

AT THE COMMAND POST I WAS ASSIGNED TO GO WITH OTHER MEMBERS TO AN ARMORED CAR WHICH WAS LOCATED AT THE SOUTH WEST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL. AS WE WAITED BY THE ARMORED CAR WE SAW A MALE JUVENILE START TO STICK HIS HEAD OUT OF A SECOND STORY WINDOW WHICH HAD BEEN BROKEN OUT. AT ONE POINT IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT THE MALE WAS GOING TO ATTEMPT TO JUMP OUT OF THE WINDOW. THE ARMORED CAR WAS MOVED UP INTO POSITION AS SWAT MEMBERS COVERED. THE MALE, WHO WAS OBVIOUSLY INJURED AND BLEEDING. THE MALE WAS RESCUED AND TAKEN TO AN AWAITING AMBULANCE.

THE TEAM WAS THEN ASSIGNED TO START CHECKING ROOMS ON THE FIRST STORY OF THE SCHOOL. ALL ROOMS WERE FOUND TO BE CLEAR. AT ONE POINT DENVER SWAT REPORTED THAT THEY HAD FOUND SEVERAL DEAD STUDENTS AND THE SUSPECTS IN THE LIBRARY. AT THAT TIME WE AGAIN CHECKED ROOM, THIS TIME MORE THOROUGHLY. AFTER SOME TIME IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE SCENE WAS CLEAR AND IT WAS TURNED OVER TO INVESTIGATORS.

Agent: 1603 SAWYER, BRENT
Sergeant: 1267 ROSE, MICHAEL 04/21/99 23:40

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L A K E W O O D P O L I C E D E P A R T M E N T

Offense: HOMICIDES - A.O.A.
Victim: COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL
Agent: 1607 SLATER, GREGG
Inv Agt:
Dispo: ADMINISTRATIVE

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Date: 04/22/99

S U P P L E M E N T

OBSERVATION/INVESTIGATION

On Tuesday, 04-06-99²⁰ at approximately 1251 hrs., I arrived at a staging area near West Bowles Ave. and South Pierce St. with other members of the Lakewood Police Department SWAT Team to assist the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department on a shooting incident at Columbine High School. Upon our arrival, I was assigned to be a member of a seven man reaction/rescue team and instructed to stand by for a deployment.

At approximately 1252 hrs., the reaction/rescue team I was assigned to was instructed to meet up with Denver Police Department Metro SWAT personnel on the southwest side of the school. Our reaction/rescue team moved out and arrived at our position at approximately 1306 hrs. Our reaction/rescue team immediately conferred with Denver Metro SWAT personnel and began providing cover and assistance in hostage rescues. Those rescues were being initiated from the cafeteria area of Columbine High School. Lakewood Police K9 Agent Roy Capp and I took a position near a Littleton Fire Department fire truck where we provided cover for hostages that were being rescued and moved to a position of safety. Once the students were removed from that area, Agent Capp and I, and the other members of the reaction/rescue team, were instructed to return to an alternative command post for an immediate deployment into the school.

Our reaction/rescue team arrived at the alternative command post located in front of the school at approximately 1420 hrs. and were advised stand by for an immediate deployment into the school. Lakewood Police Sgt. Jeff Streeter instructed myself, Agent Capp, Agent Swainson, Detective Wray and I that our mission was to enter the school from the east side and begin to effect hostage rescues and attempt to locate the suspect(s). At approximately 1438 hrs, our team made our approach to the east side of the school and married up with a Littleton Police Department SWAT Officer who advised assistance was needed in locating/rescuing hostages. The Littleton Officer also stated that shots had been heard from the gym area and that he had two officers covering the hallway leading to the gym.

As our team made entry into the school, I passed a number of live 9 MM rounds scattered on the floor leading to the gym. I do not know the exact location of that area. After passing the information on about the rounds to the other team members, our reaction/rescue team took a position outside a corridor leading to a hallway in what I believe to be the southeast area of the school. Entry was made into that hallway and several rescues were

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made. Approximately 20 students were rescued from that area. As mentioned earlier, I do not know the identification of that hallway, but would be able to identify it if seen again.

From the hallway just mentioned, Agent Capp and I, along with Littleton Police Department SWAT Officer Chet Neil (and other Littleton SWAT Officers whose names I don't know), moved to the math/science wing of the school where we were told through communications that reports of numerous hostages with suspects were being reported. At one time, we were advised one suspect was holding several hostages in an unspecified location somewhere in the math/science area. In addition, that same information indicated that one of the hostages was injured and hostages were performing CPR on the injured hostage. I did not, and still do not know, where that information came from or what agency was airing that information.

Once at the math/science area, our reaction/rescue team married up with several Denver Metro SWAT Officers and two Jefferson County Sheriff's Department SWAT Officers and made numerous rescues. Approximately 50 or more students were rescued along with several teachers. We did not locate any suspects or injured parties at that time.

From the math/science area, I continued to assist in clearing rooms and checking for hostages/victims/suspects. While working my way to the south west area of the upper level of the school, I came across a small room that appeared to me to be a storage like area. This room was south of the library and appeared to me to be in the math/science area. In that room, where the door was open, I observed an older white male with no shirt obviously dead. I continued to move towards the library where I came in contact with an unknown Denver Police Officer. As I began to enter the library, the Denver Officer stated the library had just been cleared. While in that area, I observed numerous bodies on the south side of the library, under tables. These bodies appeared to me to be bodies of young teen aged kids and all appeared to be dead.

From the library, I was received information that the "macro" search of the school for hostages/suspects had been completed. I was subsequently ordered to meet outside the cafeteria area on the lower level of the school for a new mission. Once I arrived at the cafeteria, members of the Lakewood Police Department SWAT Team were divided into groups to conduct a "micro" search of the lower level. Detective Wilson and I formed a "point-wing" team and re-entered the cafeteria area and began the search. During our search, we remained in the cafeteria area and found no bodies/hostages/suspects. However, I did see a great deal of damage to the cafeteria area that included broken ceiling tiles, black darken areas on the cafeteria floor, blood stained carpeting and a great deal of flooding due to the over head sprinkler system which was pouring water into the cafeteria area. I also noted numerous back packs strewn all over the cafeteria and numerous purses and shoes.

At the conclusion of the "micro" search, our SWAT Team was relieved by the FBI SWAT Team who provided scene security. Our SWAT Team returned to the command post where we down loaded our equipment and were relieved of any additional SWAT duties.

After a minor de-briefing of the incident, I returned to the scene at

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approximately 1830 hrs. Up until approximately 2100 hrs., I remained at the scene awaiting an investigative assignment. Sgt. Dan McCasky of the Lakewood Police Department contacted me and requested I respond to [REDACTED] Littleton, CO to assist in the execution of a search warrant on that residence. When I arrived on scene of South Reed St., I checked in with the scene security officer (a Jefferson County Deputy Sheriff motor man) and entered the home. Inside the home, I met Sgt. McCasky, Lakewood Police Department Detectives Connally, Greenwell and Mowery as well as members of the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, ATF and CBI. Sgt. McCasky told me [REDACTED] is the home of Eric Harris, a suspect in this incident.

As I approached the house to enter, I detected a strong odor of what I believed to be gasoline. Entering the house, that odor became stronger. I was told by Sgt. McCasky that when he arrived, several gas canisters had been located in the house or garage (I don't recall which) and that the fumes were extremely strong then. Due to the fear of an explosion, Sgt. McCasky stated the power to the house was turned off and the canisters were removed.

While at [REDACTED] I assisted in searching Harris' basement bedroom and the garage. During the search of the garage with an unknown ATF Agent, I located a roll of "duck tape" and a box containing numerous batteries of different voltage. Also located in the box with the batteries was a voltage meter. In addition, I located two black colored oil canisters which the ATF Agent advised me that those were similar to the canisters found near the school. The ATF Agent stated the canisters were not found physically on the school property, but were found down the street and evidently detonated as a diversion prior to the shooting rampage in the school. Those items previously mentioned were subsequently collected by me and placed in a clear plastic evidence bag.

In Harris' bedroom, I assisted in searching a "tv" area outside Harris' bedroom. I specifically searched through miscellaneous papers located on top of a desk and inside the drawers of the desk. I placed a number of papers and video tapes in an evidence bag.

At approximately 2400 hrs. on 04-20-99, I assisted in moving items seized as a result of the search warrant to Investigator Schottsky's unmarked police car. I then left Harris' house.

For specific items recovered from the search warrant, refer to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department property reports.

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On Wednesday, 04-21-99, Detective Pat Wilson and I arrived at the command post area at West Bowles Ave. and South Pierce St. at approximately 0830 hrs. After our arrival, I remained on scene until approximately 1330 hrs. at which time Sgt. McCasky, Detective Inskeep (Lakewood Police Department), Detective Wilson and I were assigned to interview the victims of the shooting at various local hospitals.

At approximately 1430 hrs., Sgt. McCasky, Detectives Inskeep, Wilson and I arrived at Swedish Medical Center and contacted the Public Relations

Office. Representatives of the Public Relations Office assisted us in attempting to contact the families of Shawn Groves, Anna Marie Hockholter, Valeen Schnurr and Richard Castaldo. With the exception of the Schnurr's, the other families requested they be contacted later. In addition, we were advised Shawn Groves, Anna Marie Hockholter and Richard Castaldo were in no condition to talk.

Sgt. McCasky and I met briefly with Mark and Shari Schnurr and were advised by the Schnurr's they did not want us to talk with their daughter. According to the Schnurr's, Valeen had been shot nine times, had four rounds in her torso area and shrapnel wounds to her chest. Mrs. Schnurr stated that Valeen is medicated and unavailable to be interviewed. However, Mrs. Schnurr said Valeen has provided some information to her (Mrs. Schnurr) about the incident.

Mrs. Schnurr stated Valeen has related to her that she (Valeen) was in the library with Lauren Townsend when the incident began. After being shot, one of the suspects stated to Valeen "Do you believe in God?" Valeen stated "yes" and thought they were going to kill her. However, the suspects moved on to other areas of the library continuing to shoot other students. Mrs. Schnurr said Valeen told her she (Valeen) could hear the suspects laughing as they shot students and recalls the suspects laughing about "blowing someones head off and their brains looking like spaghetti".

As our conversation continued, Mrs. Schnurr said Valeen stated the suspects left the library at one point and a number of students fled the area. Valeen stated to Mrs. Schnurr she (Valeen) saw Lauren Townsend laying on the floor under a table and attempted to "wake Lauren up". However, Valeen did not get a response and subsequently got out of the building.

When asked if Valeen described the individual who shot her, Mrs. Schnurr said Valeen said the suspects were "Goths". Mrs. Schnurr did not provide any further information.

While with the Schnurr's, they stated to Sgt. McCasky and I that numerous law enforcement agencies have contacted them in an attempt to interview Valeen. The Schnurr's were frustrated and wanted to consult with their family attorney prior to providing additional information.

Prior to leaving Swedish Medical Center, Sgt. McCasky obtained a serious bodily injury form from Valeen's doctor describing Valeen's injuries. Refer to Sgt. McCasky's supplement for further details.

From Swedish Medical Center, Detective Wilson and I went to Centura St. Anthony's Central Hospital. There, I contacted the parents of Kacey Ruegsegger and the parents of Mike Johnson. Detective Wilson contacted the parents of Makal Hall and for further details, refer to Detective Wilson's report.

Mrs. Ruegsegger stated an unknown Arvada Police Department Detective spoke with Kacey on 04-20-99. I spoke briefly with Mrs. Ruegsegger about Kacey's injuries, but did not talk to Kacey due to her condition. Although Kacey was conscious, she was heavily sedated and I did not talk with her.

I made contact with Gary and Kathryn Johnson, the parents of Mike Johnson, and learned Mike was in surgery. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson stated they had no information to provide and stated Mike had sustained gun shot wounds to the left arm, right knee and the right side of his jaw.

Prior to leaving the hospital, I attempted to talk with the parents of Patrick Ireland, but was informed by a nurse Patrick's parents had just been put to bed and were sleeping.

On Thursday, 04-22-99 at approximately 1000 hrs., I spoke with John Ireland, Patrick's father. Mr. Ireland phoned me and stated Patrick was the individual rescued from the library window. According to Mr. Ireland, Patrick suffered two gun shot wounds to the head where one round was remained lodged in Patrick's brain. Patrick also received a gun shot wound to the right foot, has paralysis to the rights side of his body and is unable to talk or form sentences.

According to Mr. Ireland, Patrick has made sporadic statements that include "Face the angered, trying to kill you", "poor family", "killed us dead", "TNT-I'm dynamite", "wars don't kill people, I do", "World War II very dangerous", "31 flavors" and "I hate Dillon and Eric". Mr. Ireland said Patrick did not say if these were statements made by the suspect.

Prior to ending our conversation, I advised Mr. Ireland I would be back in touch with him later.

This concludes my involvement in this investigation at this time.

WITNESSES

Mark and Shari Schnurr
[REDACTED]
Littleton, CO
Parents of Valeen Schnurr, Δ.

Gary and Kathryn Johnson
[REDACTED]
Littleton, CO
Parents of Mike Johnson.

John Ireland
No address obtained
Parent of Patrick Ireland.
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Date: 04/22/99

Agent: 1607 SLATER, GREGG
Sergeant: 1540 MCCASKY, DANIEL 04/23/99 17:16

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offense: HOMICIDES - A.O.A.
Victim: COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL
Agent: 1607 SLATER, GREGG
Inv Agt:
Dispo: ADMINISTRATIVE

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Date: 04/29/99

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OBSERVATION/INVESTIGATION

On 04-22-99, I prepared a report describing my responsibilities and actions during the Columbine High School incident. In the opening paragraph of my supplemental report, I indicated I arrived on scene on Tuesday 04-06-99. That is mistake on my part. I arrived on scene on Tuesday 04-20-99.

This case remains administratively cleared.

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Date: 04/29/99

Agent: 1607 SLATER, GREGG
Sergeant: 1540 MCCASKY, DANIEL 04/29/99 10:07

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STREETER, J.

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Observations

On 04-30-99 at approximately 1145 hours, through media reports I learned of a shooting situation that had taken place at Columbine High School in Jefferson County. A request was made for Lakewood Police SWAT to respond and assist with a mutual aid.

I arrived on scene at approximately 1210 hours. I contacted Sgt Nate Miller with Lakewood P.D. who was at the central command post. Following this I located Bill Black with Littleton P.D. SWAT and Lt Frank Vessa with DPD. SWAT efforts were being made to coordinate the tactical response from the responding agencies.

As Lakewood P.D. SWAT arrived I put together a reaction team to assist DPD with the evacuation of students from the southwest side of the building. Sgt Romanic, B Swainson, J Wray, B Sawyer, B Capp, G Slater and I responded to DPD's location. From the cafeteria area approximately 100 students were evacuated. The students were turned over the DPD units and taken from the area.

While on the southwest side I was in contact with Sgt Dean Jones. Information through Denver P.D. radio was a request was made to post officers on the roof. D.P.D. Sgt Jones and officer Laurita followed by Agent B. Sawyer, Agent J. Wray and I took up a position on the roof above and slightly north of the library. We remained in that location for approximately 15 minutes. While on the roof we found a yellow rope attached to a vent pipe next to the edge of the roof. The rope was coiled up and on the roof next to the rope was a cell phone in a leather case. The rope was removed and the cell was recovered by DPD Sgt Dean Jones.

(DPD) SWAT members with me at this location

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move from the roof and return back to the Command Post for another mission.

Upon our arrival back to the command post I was directed by LT Brennan to put together an entry team to begin clearing the school. Agent R. Capp, J. Wray, G. Slater, B. Swainson and I entered into the school from the east doors. There we were met by Littleton P.D. SWAT. We teamed up and began clearing the second floor of the school. Numerous students were removed from the math and science rooms. Approximately 150 students were located and evacuated out the east doors. During the course of this search, LT Brennan requested Agent Capp and I to respond back to the east doors for a meeting and again to coordinate the search of the building.

While at the east doors, information was received through LPD dispatch that a subject had called in stating he had been shot and was near the Gymnasium. Agent Capp and I, along with members of Littleton SWAT were directed to move to that location to attempt a rescue. Once outside the Gymnasium doors we came in contact with DPD and Jefferson S.O. SWAT members. They had already been through this area and no victims were located. The area was secured at this time.

Other members from my original entry team had been directed to meet up with other LPD SWAT members on the first floor in the Cafeteria area. At this time all teams were to conduct a complete search for other students and faculty left in the building.

Agent Capp and I moved through the building through the area we had previously searched and

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Reporting Agency: Lakewood P.D. Reporting Officer: J. Strecker Case Report No.: 99-38856

Connecting Case Report No.: _____ Victim Name Original Report: _____ Date This Report: 04-20-99

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marked. We moved down a hallway to the west near the library. In the hallway outside the library, I observed broken glass, what appeared to be two separate locations where an explosion had taken place. There were numerous spent rounds on the ground. We moved to the entry of the library and observed bodies just inside the windows. At this time the library was being secured by DPD. Agent Sapp and I went to the cafeteria and met up with the rest of Lakewood P.D. SWAT members. We did a complete search of the cafeteria area and no other victims or students were located. I did observe the remnants of a pipe bomb and numerous nails in the area. On the stairs leading to the cafeteria there was an apparent explosion against a wall.

LPD SWAT moved out of the building and took over scene security on the south side. ATF agents arrived on scene and were directed by LPD SWAT the location of suspect vehicles.

I turned over scene security to Special Agent Richard Gill with the FBI. At this time all LPD SWAT agents returned to the command post.

At this time my involvement into this matter was concluded. All times for relevant movement and actions described above are contained in an LPD communication center log.

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Reporting Agency

LAKEWOOD

Reporting Officer

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Case Report No.

99-38856

Connecting Case Report No.

Victim Name Original Report

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Date This Report

04.21.99.

Classification

COLUMBINE H.S.

Offense Status: Open

Exceptionally Cleared

Recommend Case: Review

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INFORMATION:

ON TUES. 04.20.99 AT ABOUT 1200 HRS. AGT. B SAWYER & I RESPONDED TO COLUMBINE H.S. 6200 E. PIERCE ST IN REGARDS TO SHOTS FIRED @ THE SCHOOL.

ONCE ON SCENE WE WERE DETAILED TO ASSIST IN SECURING A PERIMETER ON THE N/W CORNER OF CLEMENTS PARK. DURING THIS TIME WE ASSISTED AGT. MCNITT & A FEMALE JEFFCO DEPUTY TAKE INTO CUSTODY A 27 Y.O. A W/M WHO HAD ARMED HIMSELF WITH A BB RIFLE & RAMBO KNIFE AND WHO WAS ENROUTE TO THE SCHOOL TO ASSIST POLICE. HE WAS PUT IN THE DEPUTY'S CAR & HELD FOR INVESTIGATION.

AT AROUND 1250 HRS. WE RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT LAKEWOOD P.D. S.W.A.T. WAS RESPONDING TO A C.P. I BOWLES & S. PIERCE ST. AGT. SAWYER & I SUITED UP IN SWAT GEAR AND MET OTHER L.P.D. AGTS AT A PRELIMINARY C/P ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE SCHOOL.

WE WERE DETAILED UNDER SUT'S STREETER & ROMANEC TO A POSITION ON THE N/W SIDE OF THE SCHOOL. FROM THIS POINT WE SECURED DOORWAYS & THE ROOF LINE WITH D.P.D. SWAT AND STOODBY WHILE APPROX 40 STUDENTS WERE EVACUATED THROUGH THE GROUND FLOOR CAFETERIA PAST THE FIRE TRUCK PUMPER TO A SAFE POSITION. THERE WE SEARCHED ALL STUDENTS & CHECKED FOR INJURIES BEFORE PASSING THEM OFF TO D.P.D.

AT ONE POINT WE PROVIDED SECURITY WHILE DPD & L.P.D. SWAT GAINED ACCESS BY LADDERS TO THE ROOFTOP. THESE OFFICERS RETURNED TO GROUND AFTER AN ALTERNATIVE PLAN WAS DEVISED TO ARREST ALL SWAT ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE

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Reporting Agency

LAKEWOOD

Reporting Officer

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Case Report No.

99-33856

Connecting Case Report No.

Victim Name Original Report

ST. AL.

Date of This Report

04.21.99

Classification

Location

COLUMBINE H.S.

Offense Status: Open

Cleared by Arrest

Exceptionally Cleared

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SCHOOL.

ONCE OUT FRONT 1/2 THE L.P.D. SWAT TEAM WERE DETAILED TO ACCOMPANY AN ARMOURD VEHICLE TO THE S/W SIDE OF THE SCHOOL TO EFFECT ANY POSSIBLE MOBILE RESCUES.

I WENT WITH A CONTINGENT OF L.P.D. SWAT INCLUDING SGT STREETER, ACTS WRAY, SLATER, CAPP & MYSELF INTO THE SCHOOL TO START A SYSTEMATIC SEARCH FOR STUDENTS & OR VICTIMS. OUR SEARCH STAYED PRIMARLY ON THE S/W SIDE OF THE SCHOOL IN THE MAIN HALL, MATH WING, SCIENCE WING, CAFETERIA & FINISHING IN THE 2ND FL. LIBRARY AREA.

NUMEROUS STUDENTS WERE LOCATED ALONG THE SEARCH & EVACUATED THROUGH THE SCHOOL TO THE EAST SIDE SPIECE ENTRANCE.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE SWEEP I SAW UK # DECEASED IN THE LIBRARY AND AN ADULT MALE IN A ROOM TO THE SOUTH OF THE 2ND FL. LIBRARY.

LATER A SWEEP OF THE CAFETERIA, TEACHER'S LOUNGE, KITCHEN & RAFTERS ABOVE DID NOT REVEAL ANY FURTHER VICTIMS, SUSPECT(S) OR WITNESSES.

WE SECURED THE LOWER LEVEL ATRIUM ENTRANCE, AND A DECEASED VICTIM TO THE NORTH ON A SIDEWALK BY THE CAFETERIA DOORS, UNTIL RELIEVED BY F.B.I. H.R.T.

WE LEFT THE AREA & LATER DE-BRIEFED AT LEEWOOD ELEMENTARY & L.P.D. BEFORE REPORTING OFF DUTY.

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WRAY, J

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LAKWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

REPORTING AGENT: WRAY, JOE
VICTIM:
OFFENSE: ASSIST OTHER AGENCY

CASE NUMBER: 99-038856
DATE OF REPORT: 04/21/99

NARRATIVE:

On April 20, 1999, at approximately 1150 hours, I was contacted by Sgt. George Hinkle who stated the SWAT Team was being requested to respond to a shooting incident at Columbine High School in Jefferson County. We were told to have our gear available but not to dress out at the current time. At approximately 1205 hours, Sgt. Hinkle advised us to dress out, and that we would be deployed to the scene. I was instructed to take a marked patrol car with Detective Pat Wilson and lead the van to the command post area. The command post area was established near the area of West Bowles Avenue and South Pierce Street. After dressing out and getting all of our gear, we needed to that location. After arriving at the location at approximately 1250 hours, I obtained my tactical entry weapon, MP5, from the SWAT van which had transported the various equipment to the scene.

Approximately ten minutes later, I was deployed with Sgt. Streeter and the group to assist Denver Police Department in rescuing victims. We were taken by a Denver Police Department SWAT officer to the northwest side of the building where the Denver Police Department had established a mini command post. This was also the location where the suspects had exchanged gunfire with police personnel previously. Detective Pat Wilson and I took up positions on a doorway in the northwest corner where the suspects had been and maintained control of that door area.

At approximately 1345 hours, I was instructed to assist on the roof. Detective Pat Wilson, Sgt. Jeff Streeter, a Denver Police Department officer and I went up on the roof to establish high ground control. A few minutes later, we were instructed to discontinue searching on the roof as there were several SWAT Teams inside the school who may mistake our footsteps on the roof as possible suspects. At approximately 1355 hours, we were brought back down from the roof.

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LAKWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

REPORTING AGENT: WRAY, JOE

CASE NUMBER: 99-038856

VICTIM:

DATE OF REPORT: 04/21/99

OFFENSE: ASSIST OTHER AGENCY

Shortly after 1400 hours, I, along with the entire Lakewood SWAT Team, returned to a command center on South Pierce Street. At the command center, we were reorganized, and I was placed on an entry team with Sgt. Jeff Streeter, Detective Gregg Slater, Agent Roy Capp and Agent Bob Swainson. We were to meet up with the Littleton Police Department SWAT Team to the south of the front main entrance where we would be securing the building and rescuing hostages. Inside, we initially met with the Littleton SWAT Team. Agent Bob Swainson and I covered the main corridor while the remainder secured a science area which went to the south. Agent Bob Swainson and I were then deployed with the Denver Police Department to secure the area to the west and then back to the north of the building.

At approximately 1505 hours, Agent Swainson and I were pulled back with Sgt. Jeff Streeter and a number of Littleton SWAT officers. We then continued the search to the south end of the building and, at various times, made contact with numerous students. We assisted in evacuating three groups of students, approximately 20 to 25 in each group, from various rooms and out to a safe area. After the area to the south had been secured, Sgt. Streeter and other team leaders were pulled back for a briefing. Detective Gregg Slater, Agent Bob Swainson and I made contact with other officers in the southwest corner of the upper level by the library where numerous bodies were located and apparent explosive devices had been detonated. We met up with the rest of the Lakewood team in the downstairs cafeteria at approximately 1545 hours.

We were reorganized, and I was teamed up with Agent Donn Kraemer. Four joint-wing teams were then deployed to conduct a micro search of the lower office area from the cafeteria. Agent Kraemer and I, and the other two-man teams, secured the lower level at that time. The team as a whole then came through the cafeteria and adjoining rooms, verifying there were no additional victims or suspects.

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LAKWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

REPORTING AGENT: WRAY, JOE

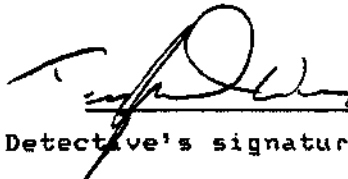
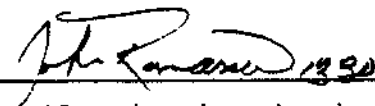
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VICTIM:

DATE OF REPORT: 04/21/99

OFFENSE: ASSIST OTHER AGENCY

At approximately 1620 hours, we left the lower level to the southwest outer area. We remained there until approximately 1640 hours when we returned to our SWAT van. From there, we were directed to go to Leawood Elementary School for a debriefing by Dr. John Nicoletti and the Jefferson County "Shoot" Team. Detective Pat Wilson and I left Leawood Elementary at approximately 1745 hours and returned to the Lakewood Police Department roll-call room for our debriefing. I left the Lakewood Police Department at approximately 1900 hours with no further action.

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WILSON, P.

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L A K E W O O D P O L I C E D E P A R T M E N T

offense: AOA/JCSD - HOMICIDE
Victim:
Agent: 1602 WILSON, PATRICK
Inv Agt:
Diapo: ADMINISTRATIVE

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S U P P L E M E N T

OBSERVATION/INVESTIGATION:

ON TUESDAY 04/20/99 AT 1200 HOURS I WAS ON DUTY IN THE INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION OF THE LAKEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT. I WAS REQUESTED BY SERGEANT GEORGE HINKLE TO PREPARE FOR A MISSION AS A SWAT TEAM MEMBER.

I GATHERED MY GEAR, AND ACCOMPANIED DETECTIVE JOE WRAY IN A MARKED LAKEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE TO THE AREA JUST SOUTH OF COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL IN UNINCORPORATED JEFFERSON COUNTY.

MYSELF AND SEVERAL OTHERS FROM THE LAKEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT SWAT TEAM WERE THEN SENT TO THE NORTH WEST CORNER OF THE HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE WE MET UP WITH THE DENVER POLICE DEPARTMENT SWAT TEAM.

I WAS FIRST ASSIGNED TO PROVIDE COVER ON AN OPEN DOOR ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE SCHOOL. THIS COVER WAS REQUIRED FOR STUDENTS WHO WERE BEING EVACUATED OUT OF THE CAFETERIA AREA.

I WAS THEN ASSIGNED TO GO UP ONTO THE ROOF AND PROVIDE COVER WITH MY MP-5 SUB MACHINE GUN. AFTER ONLY A FEW MINUTES ON THE ROOF I WAS TOLD TO RETREAT.

I THEN STAGED NEAR A COMMAND POST JUST EAST OF THE SCHOOL. I WAS THEN SENT WITH THREE OTHER LAKEWOOD SWAT MEMBERS TO MEET UP WITH OTHER LAKEWOOD SWAT MEMBERS ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE SCHOOL.

ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE SCHOOL, I MET UP WITH THESE OTHER TEAM MEMBERS WHO WERE STATIONED BEHIND AN ARMORED CAR.

I WAS THEN ASSIGNED TO PROVIDE COVER WITH MY MP-5 SUB MACHINE GUN ON THE BACK OF THE ARMORED CAR AS WE RESCUED A MALE STUDENT FROM THE SECOND FLOOR SOUTH SIDE.

I THEN ENTERED THE SCHOOL ON THE LOWER SOUTH SIDE THROUGH THE CAFETERIA AND SECURED THAT AREA. I THEN ASSISTED IN SECURING A WING OF CLASSROOMS TO THE EAST OF THE CAFETERIA.

I THEN WENT TO THE SECOND LEVEL TO ASSIST THE DENVER SWAT TEAM THAT WAS CLEARING THAT AREA.

I NOTICED AN ADULT MALE VICTIM IN WHAT APPEARED TO BE AN AUDIO VISUAL TYPE ROOM JUST SOUTH OF THE STAIRS ON THE UPPER LEVEL. THIS MALE WAS DOA.

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I THEN ENTERED THE LIBRARY AREA WHERE I SAW APPROXIMATELY 10 JUVENILE VICTIMS. I NOTICED NUMEROUS GUNSHOT WOUNDS. ALL THESE STUDENTS WERE DOA.

I THEN EXITED THE LIBRARY AND WENT BACK DOWNSTAIRS, WHERE WE RE CLEARED THE SAME EASTWARD WING. THIS TIME THE DOORS WERE MARKED TO INDICATE TO OTHERS THEY HAD BEEN CHECKED. I MARKED THESE DOORS WITH "CLR/LPD" WITH THE TIME IN MILITARY HOURS. I REMEMBER MARKING SEVERAL DOORS AT 1600 HOURS.

I THEN WALKED AROUND THE CAFETERIA AND SURROUNDING ROOM, CHECKING FOR VICTIMS THAT MIGHT HAVE GOT PASSED OVER. NONE WERE FOUND.

I THEN EXITED THE BUILDING AND ASSISTED IN CHECKING CARS FOR POTENTIAL EXPLOSIVES. A BLACK OR DARK GRAY HONDA WAS FOUND EAST OF THE FRONT DOOR WITH WHAT APPEARED TO BE EXPLOSIVES IN IT. A BLACK BMW WAS LOCATED WEST OF THE DOORS WITH WHAT APPEARED TO BE EXPLOSIVES IN IT. THESE CARS WERE POINTED OUT TO ATF WHO WAS NOW ON SCENE, AND SECURED BY THEM.

I THEN MAINTAINED SECURITY AT THIS SOUTH ENTRANCE UNTIL RELIEVED BY THE FBI.

I THEN RESPONDED TO LEAWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WHERE WE WERE DE BRIEFED. I THEN RESPONDED TO LPD WHERE WE WERE DE BRIEFED AGAIN.

ON 04/21/99 AT 0830 HOURS I RESPONDED BACK TO COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL TO ACT AS AN INVESTIGATOR.

ON 04/21/99 AT 1330 HOURS I WAS ASSIGNED WITH LAKEWOOD DETECTIVE GREGG SLATER ROLLIE INSKEEP, AND SERGEANT DAN MACCASKY TO RESPOND TO THE AREA HOSPITALS AND INTERVIEW THE INJURED.

ON 04/21/99 AT 1430 HOURS WE ARRIVED A SWEDISH HOSPITAL. THERE WERE 4 INJURED STUDENTS IN THE HOSPITAL. WE MADE CONTACT WITH THE PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER FOR THE HOSPITAL.

ONE OF THE STUDENTS WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO SPEAK DUE TO BREATHING TUBES, TWO OTHER STUDENTS REFUSED TO SPEAK INDICATING THAT TOO MANY POLICE OFFICERS HAVE ALREADY INTERVIEWED THEM, THE FOURTH STUDENT ALSO REFUSED TO SPEAK DUE TO TOO MANY OFFICERS CONTACTING THEM. THE PARENTS OF THE FOURTH STUDENT DID AGREE TO SPEAK TO SERGEANT MCCASKY AND DETECTIVE SLATER.

ON 04/21/99 AT 1600 HOURS I ARRIVED AT ST ANTHONYS CENTRAL HOSPITAL TO INTERVIEW INJURED STUDENTS THERE. I RESPONDED TO 4 WEST TO CONTACT STUDENT MAKAI HALL. I WAS GREETED BY DAN AND SUSAN HALL, MAKAI'S PARENTS.

DAN HALL TOLD ME THAT IMMEDIATELY AFTER GETTING TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM, MAKAI WAS INTERVIEWED BY DETECTIVE JAMES NELSON FROM THE ARVADA POLICE DEPARTMENT. DAN HALL TOLD ME THAT DETECTIVE NELSON HAD ALSO SPOKE TO MAKAI FOR A SHORT PERIOD THIS MORNING, AND SAID HE WOULD RETURN AT 1800 TO COMPLETE HIS INTERVIEW.

DAN HALL SAID IT WAS TRAUMATIC FOR MAKAI TO TELL DETECTIVE NELSON WHAT HAPPENED, AND DAN DID NOT WANT MAKAI TO HAVE TO TELL IT ALL OVER AGAIN TO ANOTHER DETECTIVE. DAN ASKED THAT DETECTIVE NELSON BE ABLE TO GATHER ALL THE INFORMATION NECESSARY.

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OUT OF RESPECT FOR THE FAMILIES WISHES I DID NOT INTERVIEW MAKAI HALL.

THIS CONCLUDES MY INVOLVEMENT TO DATE WITH THIS INCIDENT.

Dispo: ADMINISTRATIVE

Date: 04/22/99

Agent: 1602 WILSON, PATRICK
Sergeant: 1540 MCCASKY, DANIEL 04/23/99 17:13

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LITTLETON P.D.

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LITTLETON SWAT

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| SGT. DOUG PARKER - LITTLETON | 795-3885 |
| OFF. MIKE EYMAN - " | 794-1551 |
| OFF. JEFF WREN - " | " |
| CORP. SEAN DUGAN - " | " |
| OFF. ANGE BRAUCH - | } |
| CORP. - TIM RATCLIFF - | |
| CORP. GREG BOLLEN - | |
| OFF. BOZ SUTHERLAND - | |
| SGT. BILL BLACK - | |
| OFF. CHET NEAL - | |

THIS IS EVERYONE FROM
LITTLETON SWAT WHO ENTERED
THE BUILDING.

REPORT NARRATIVE:

REPORT: 99003089
ASSIGNMENT:

On 042099, at approximately 1130 hrs. Dispatch stated that Jefferson County was requesting help from all surrounding agencies for an shooting at Columbine High School.

INVESTIGATION By Officer D.A.BACA 8402:

Upon my arrival at the scene I contacted a Jefferson County Sgt. and asked him if they needed our SWAT Team to respond. He stated that he did, so I contacted Sgt. Parker and requested he make a call out. I also requested that we have the Negotiators respond to set a up a command post posting board.

Officer Wood arrived on scene and we set up the posting center on the side of Mike Wood's police vehicle. I contacted the principal of the Columbine High School, Frank DeAngelis and two School Administrators, Barbara Monseu and Ricky Kaufman. I interviewed the principal Frank DeAngelis who told me that he was confronted in the school by a armed gun man who was carrying a rifle. He stated that he ushered several students into a room and locked the door. He also stated that he and the students were able to escape.

we gathered names of possible suspects, I requested that the sc. administrators obtain their dob's, home addresses and other information. This information was posted. I requested that DeAngelis draw a layout of the school so that we could identify where hostages were hiding, which he did.

As students and teachers, who were hiding in the school called their family members we were able to get telephone numbers and call these students and teachers back. We made lists of persons hiding and established where they were hiding. This information was also posted and passed on to the tactical team.

Because of the many telephone calls that were being made we moved the postings to the Arapahoe County SWAT van. The FBI placed three more hard telephone lines into the van so we were able to make calls on these phones rather than cell phones.

Two Lakewood officers and a FBI agent also helped with the posting due to the large amount of hostage information and names.

After the building had been cleared twice, we took down the postings and lists of student and teachers names marked them with our Littleton PD case number. We tried to give this information to Jeffco, but were unable to find a safe place to keep the evidence. I brought the information back to the Littleton Police Department and placed it into evidence. I gave Jeffco my card and told them where the evidence would be
D.A.BACA 8402 042199

Supplement by Sgt.D.W.Parker 7504

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

I was advised at approximately 1135 that Jefferson County S.O. was responding to a "shots fired" call at Columbine High School. Myself and Cpl. Bohlen responded. At this time Ofc. Baca had arrived and advised that there were multiple suspects and multiple victims and that Jeffco was requesting our SWAT unit. I advised Dispatch to page out SWAT, which was done at 1141. I arrived shortly thereafter. I was advised by Captain Armstrong of Arapahoe County S.O. that our SWAT unit was the closest and that "It's your problem." He offered to provide administrative assistance. Sgt. C.W. Black arrived and I was advised to take charge of the tactical units as they were deployed. I took a position on the east perimeter, where I was later joined by Lt. Williams of Arapahoe S.O., Lt. Brennan of Lakewood PD, and Capt. Dimanna of Denver PD. I remained at this post until around 1600, coordinating tactical responses by the various units, when I met with Cpl. Ratcliff inside the main entrance to be briefed by him, and to assist in coordinating further search efforts. We were relieved at approximately 1700, and after providing names and ranks to Jefferson County personnel, we cleared the scene and returned to Littleton PD approximately 1800.

No further action by this officer.

Sgt. D.W. Parker 7504 042199

SUPPLEMENTAL BY OFFICER WOOD:

Upon receiving information of a possible shooting incident at Columbine High School, I was assigned to pick-up, and transport all necessary equipment to the scene. Upon arriving at Leewood and S. Pierce St., I immediately began assisting Tactical Officer Neal in preparation for entering the school. Realizing that no Critical Incident Command Post had been set up, I began setting up a temporary Critical Incident Command Post using Littleton Police Unit #293.

Upon setting up a command post, I with Ofc. Baca began to interview a subject who was identified as the school principal, Mr. DeAngelis. Using a dry chalk board, Mr. DeAngelis completed a schematic diagram of the school for tactical team entry. I was then informed of a call received via cellular phone of a teacher who was trapped inside the English office with six other teacher's, and two students. I then began to talk with the teacher, Eric Friesen who informed me of all building information and possible locations of victims. I talked with this teacher for approximately 2 hours as I was also assisting in the coordination of critical incident posting, and the set-up of the hostage negotiations telephone. I assisted Ofc. Baca in detailing lists of possible suspect(s), as well as possible witnesses.

After it was determined that Columbine High School was cleared of further suspect(s), I assisted in collection of all Command Post information, labeling same, and giving custody to Ofc. Baca.

No further action by this officer.

M.D. WOOD 8202 042199

SUPPLEMENT BY CPL. GREG BOHLEN:

On 042099 I was working patrol duty when LPD received the request for assistance from Jeffco. I responded to the area with Ofc. Baca and Sgt. Parker. I arrived on scene on S. Pierce St & Leewood, at about 1137 hours. I immediately began to prepare with my SWAT equipment, when I was contacted by a number of officers from Jeffco and Denver PD. A request was made of my assistance and if we had any ballistic shields, as LPD had

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

some of the first SWAT officers on scene. I offered both our shields. At that time Officer Neal arrived, and he also being on SWAT, we were requested to assist a group of other SWAT officers. We took the shields, and Sgt. Parker approved us assisting the other SWAT officers.

We met up with officers from DPD and Jeffco on Pierce St, just northeast of the school, where they had already prepared an LFD firetruck to provide us cover to move toward the school. I was advised that there were injured students down on the outside of the school, and we were to move to that area and attempt to rescue the students from the area. We moved up to the northeast entrance of the school. From there we could see what appeared to be a student in one of the windows. Officer Neal ended up moving to the doorway we had reached, and assisting those officers. This was at about 1215 hours.

My group then moved along the north side of the school, at which the student we saw inside was able to get to a door and run to our position. (He was later sent via other officers to one of the CP's). We worked our way to the very far southwest corner of the school. The firetruck was backed into a position by the doors on that side of the school. At that location I observed three students down on the ground. There were DPD and Jeffco supervisors at this location with us. They decided that officers would move forward to assist these students. This was about 2237 hours. At that time officers moved toward the school, and they announced that they would be providing cover/suppressive fire during the rescue. I stayed in a cover position behind the firetruck and covered open and unsecured doorways. I provided no suppressive fire. One student was removed. He had a gunshot wound and was still alive. A Jeffco patrol car was moved to us and I assisted in loading him into the vehicle and he was removed from the scene. A second student in this same position was removed in the same fashion. She was DOA. There was a male student at the bottom of the stairs at this location. Again officers moved to his position, found him also DOA, and left him at that location. I then stayed at that location, covering the school.

A Jeffco SWAT unit arrived, and they moved up to the school, at which time a large number of students were evacuated through our location. A large group of students were also able to escape on their own, running south through the parking lot to a fence line and then running west. Officers were sent to that location to intercept and assist.

After an unknown period of time, we left our positions, at which time I moved back to Pierce St, and met with Sgt. Parker. I was then deployed to the inside of the school from the east side, to meet up with Cpl. Ratcliff and the rest of LPD SWAT. I then worked with our team to continue in the clearance of the area of the school. We were able to clear a large area of the school. Working with DPD, Lakewood, and Jeffco, we located and evacuated a large number of students and adults, all from the Science, Math, and Finance area. We marked all rooms that we cleared and searched. All students were searched and lead out of the building and turned over to other Officers. Once these areas were secured, our team was ordered to respond to the main entrance. We stayed at that area until we were instructed to clear the scene. Nothing further.

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

Cpl. Wreg Bohlen, 8601, 042199.

SUPPLEMENT BY OFC. NEAL:

On 042099 at 1130 hrs I was working an off duty job at Union Bank. At approx 1136 hrs I heard through Sgt. Parker that an All SWAT call out was being made and that all SWAT officers needed to report at S. Pierce and Bowles ave.

I immediately responded to LPD and retrieved my patrol car and directly proceeded to the scene with my SWAT equipment.

I arrived on Scene at approx 1152 hrs. I was advised to get immediately suited up as there were reported injured students outside of the school that needed rescuing.

Myself and Cpl. Bohlen formed a team consisting of SWAT officers from Denver P.D. and Jefferson County S.O. At approx 1158 we moved into the area around the south eastern entrance of the school using a fire truck for cover.

At this point the teams split up and I was separated from Cpl. Bohlen. Myself and Officers from Denver and Jefferson County entered the school building. We entered the building at the south east entrance just south of the main entrance. This was at approx 1200 to 1215 hrs. Myself and the Denver and Jeffco officers began clearing the immediate area inside the building where we entered. We cleared this area for approx 45 minutes.

At 1250 hrs I was able to determine that the rest of my SWAT team had arrived and was outside. It was determined that I would go and find my team, brief them and then re-enter the building to continue clearing the inside of the building. At this point no students or teachers had been found.

Finding my team and briefing them we then entered the building under the command of Team Leader Cpl. Ratcliff. The officers of the team consisted of Ofc. Wren, Ofc. Eymann, Ofc. Brauch, and Ofc. Sutherland.

We then supplemented the Denver team that had also had more team members arriving.

At this point we had approx 18 Officers in the building and we began a systematic clearing of the building. We moved from the South East hallways into the finance Office, and then moving into the math and science offices. We were then further supplemented by officers from the Lakewood SWAT team. As we entered the finance and math and science offices we encountered approx 60 persons consisting of mainly students locked in offices throughout the area. These students and teachers were then escorted out to safe areas. Upon clearing rooms in the building we would write on the door "cleared, LPD and time cleared." Our search ended upon reaching the area near the front of the library. This was at approx 1630 hrs. It was reported that The library had already been checked by one of the Denver teams operating in the building. All of my activity occurred on the second level of the building.

Nothing further at this time. C. Neal 9204 042199

SUPPLEMENT BY DETECTIVE BRAUCH:

042099 at approximately 1125 hours, I was in my office and heard dispatch advise Sgt. Parker of the shooting incident at Columbine High School. At approximately 1130 hours, dispatch stated that Jefferson County was requesting assistance from other agencies. Cmdr. Beckman advised me to be available in the detective car on the street. At

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

approximately 1135 hours, dispatch advised that Jefferson County was requesting LPD SWAT and I returned to headquarters and changed into my SWAT uniform. At approximately 1205 hours, I arrived at S. Pierce St., and W. Leewood where I continued to deploy my SWAT equipment. At that time, Sgt. Black asked that I remain by the CP and wait for the other team members to arrive. At approximately 1230 hours, I was advised to meet with Sgt. Parker on the east side of Columbine High School. I walked over to Sgt. Parker's location with Ofc. Wren and waited until the remainder of our team arrived.

Cpl. Ratcliff, Ofc. Eyman and Ofc. Sutherland arrived and Ofc. Neal met us on the east side of the high school. He advised us of the area that he and the BPD officers had searched. Cpl. Ratcliff instructed the team to go to that area and we entered the door southeast of the main entrance. We met with DPD SWAT and continued searching the building. There were several locked doors that were forced open. Approximately 150 students and teachers were found in several of the rooms that were searched. Myself and other LPD officers searched the students and teachers and escorted them out through the southeast door that we had entered through. We released them to other officers who escorted them to the CP.

We continued our search and Ofc. Neal marked the doors that were searched in the building. At approximately 1700 hours, we were told that the fire building had been searched with the help of the other SWAT team. We were instructed to meet at the main entrance of the building to wait for further instruction. At approximately 1730 hours, we were relieved by other SWAT teams. There is nothing further from this officer.
Angela Brauch 9301 042099

SUPPLEMENT BY OFC WREN:

On 042099 at approximately 1141hrs I received a page for all SWAT officers to respond to the area of Columbine High School to assist Jefferson County Sheriff's Department with a critical incident. I arrived at that location at about 1225hrs and contacted Sgt Black. Sgt Black directed Ofc Brauch and myself to meet with Sgt Parker on the east side of school. We met with Sgt Parker and waited for the remainder of the team to arrive. After the arrival of Cpl Ratcliff, Ofc Eyman, Ofc Sutherland and Cpl Ougan, we were met by Ofc Neal, who had previously entered the school with members of other departments. At approximately 1315hrs, Ofc Neal led the team into the building through a door on the southeast side of the school. Once inside, we met with officers from Denver P.O. and Jefferson County. After several minutes, Ofc Sutherland and myself relieved two Denver P.O. officers covering a hallway in the southwest corner of the school on the second floor. Ofc Sutherland and myself stayed at that position for over an hour. We were then reunited with the rest of the team at location. At that time, I assisted with clearing rooms on the second floor in the southeast corner. We found numerous students and teachers hiding or locked in the rooms. Once we found them, I assisted in leading the subjects to a door on the east side, where they were turned over to other officers.

I then went with Lakewood SWAT as they cleared the cafeteria and commons area on the lower floor. The rest of the Littleton team

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

continued to clear rooms on the second floor. I then met with the team and we were ordered to clear and return to the Police Department. No further action taken. J.Wren 9202 042199

Supplemental Report by Cpl Ratcliff:

On 042099 at about 1250 hours Ofc Sutherland and I arrived on scene at Columbine High School. We were directed to an area near the front of the school by Sgt Parker. We transported the majority of LPD's SWAT equipment.

Sgt Parker and Ofc Neal briefed us on the current situation. I was team leader for LPD's entry team. I took Ofcs. Wren, Brauch, Neal, Eyman and Sutherland and we made entry into the school by the door south of the main entrance at about 1315 hours.

We met with a Denver SWAT team and began a search of the main hallway, attendance office, classrooms to the north of the main hall, south of the main hall, and the math and science areas.

We located and evacuated 100 to 150 students and teachers. These persons were taken outside of waiting law enforcement personnel.

We returned from our assignment by about 1730 hours. No additional information, Cpl Ratcliff, 042199.

SUPPLEMENT BY OFFICER SUTHERLAND:

On 042099 at approximately 1150 hours I was paged to assist Jeffco on a critical incident. I arrived at LPD and assisted Cpl Ratcliff with the SWAT equipment. Cpl Ratcliff and I responded to Columbine High School at approximately 1250 hours. We responded to the east side of the school where Sgt Parker, Ofc Wren and Ofc Brauch were located. Ofc Neal then responded to our location from inside of the school and we were briefed by him and Sgt. Parker. Ofc Neal then lead us inside the school through an east side door just south of the main entrance. We then were in contact with Denver SWAT. Ofc Wren and I were staged on a hallway and two double doors on the second floor located on the south side of the building.

Cpl. Bohlen, Cpl Ratcliff, Ofc Neal, Ofc Brauch, and Ofc Eyman then cleared the hallway just to the north of our location. We then started to clear several locked rooms on the second floor. We found several students and teachers hiding in several rooms. They were all patted down and escorted out a east door where other police officers were ready to process them.

We cleared all of the rooms that were assigned to us. We were informed that the suspects were dead and that the rest of the school was clear. We then left the building.

Nothing further.

Sutherland 9207 042199

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY CORPORAL MICHAEL P. KELLEY, 7904:

I received a page to respond at approximately 1155 hours on 11-20-99 to respond to the area of W. Leawood Dr. and S. Pierce St. to assist our SWAT team in reference the Columbine High School shooting incident. Upon arrival, I contacted Negotiations members Baca, Daphne and Wood, Mike who

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

had set up a temporary posting center on the side of a police vehicle. I contacted Sgt Black also who advised that we needed to set up a command post to assist Jefferson County officials with the gathering and dissemination of information. We duplicated all the information officers Baca and Wood had accumulated on suspects, weapons, and hostages and gave it to the

Jefferson County Deputies inside their command post. I was told by the Jefferson County Undersheriff, Dunaway, John, that we needed to set up for negotiations in the event of contact with the suspects. We moved all of our posting materials and equipment to the Arapahoe County Sheriffs van and set up operations there. We continued gathering information on suspects, weapons, hostages and their locations, parent lists, phone extensions for students inside the school building and maps etc. of the school. We passed on this information to Sgt Black and Jefferson County personnel in their command post next to ours. Officers Baca, Wood, and myself talked to students hiding at different locations inside the high school and tried to assure them of our actions to find them and get them out safely. I talked to Matthew Cornwell in the Vocal Music Room along with over 50 other students three times during a two hour period until they were rescued by the SWAT Teams. After Matthews group release, I escorted them to the buses from the command post for transport to Leawood Elementary School. After our SWAT team was relieved, I assisted gathering all of our information up and instructed Officer Baca to

it an evidence locker at the Littleton Police Department at the request of the Jefferson County Sheriffs Department. Our Negotiations team was assisted in our activities at the command post by Lakewood Sgt Cole, Jerry and Ebeling, Eric. We were also assisted by FBI agents Fuselier, Dwayne and Holstlaw, Mark. No additional information at this time, MP KELLEY, 7904, 04-21-99.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY CORPORAL KELLEY, MP. 7904, 042199: I recieved the packet containing all the posting documents from Lab Evidence Technician Bruce Adams and opened the documents to retrieve some information. I resealed the packet containing all the documents and placed into evidence locker # 2 after use, MP KELLEY, 7904, 04-21-99.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY OFFICER ROMERO 8002 04-21-99

On 04-20-99 at about 1210 Hrs. I recieved a swat page to responed to Leawood Dr. and So. Pierce St. Upon my arrival at about 1230 Hrs. I started to set up our Swat Negotiators phon. I was advised by Cpl. KELLY THAT I would be in charge of the phone and our equipment for Negotiations. The equipment was set up next to one our Patrol units parked on So. Pierce st. About two hours later I was asked to move all our equipment into the Arapshoe Countys Command post vehicle which was parked on So. PIERCE ST. I was contacted by one of the FBI agents and advised I was to man the door to the command post, as only some Negatiators were to be aloud in. I was at this post until the Incident was over.

further action by this Officer RG ROMERO *) 8002

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY OFFICER M.P. EYMAN

On 042099 at approximately 1154 hours, I received a Swat page that advised LPD Swat to respond to the area of Leewood and Pierce, to assist Jefferson County S.O. on a critical incident.

I arrived on scene at Columbine High School at approximately 1255 hours. On my arrival I met with members of LPD Swat, and were advised that we were needed in the southeast wing of the school to meet with Denver Swat officers. I was advised that several students had been shot and there were possibly four suspects in the school armed with shotguns, handguns and possibly a rifle.

Upon entry in to the southeast wing of the school, we entered on the second level just south of the the main entrance. At that time we meet with officers from DPD swat and assisted them in clearing the main office area and several adjacent rooms. After assisting DPD it was determined that LPD Swat would break off and clear the southeast wing and the Science rooms. During the search LPD Swat officers entered and cleared numerous rooms in the science hall and southeast wing. During the search we located possibly up to 100 hostages, which were all searched and escorted out of the School.

LPD Swat officers did assist a joint team of DPD Swat and Jefferson County Swat Officers in the rescue of 48 students and faculty from the area known to us as Science 3.

Entry was made into rooms wether locked or unlocked. Locked rooms were entered by breaking the glass windows and reaching through the window and opening the door. Each room that was cleared by LPD officers was marked advising the time that the room was cleared and the Letters L. P. D. written on the door. LPD officers were called out of the scene at approximately 1615 hours, and advised to clear.

No further information.

Ofc. M.P.EYMAN 042199

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY SGT. C.W. BLACK

On 042099/1140 I was advised through radio at my home of a possible hostage incident at Columbine HS. Sgt Parker and Commander Brandt were in route to the scene. I was advised that JCSO requested our SWAT team. in my position of SWAT Coordinator, I responded from my home.

On my arrival I contacted Commander Brandt and Sgt Parker. It was an extremely chaotic situation. I was unable to immediately locate an incident commander and began assisting in the arrival and deployment of the various SWAT units; Littleton PD, JeffCOSO, ArapCOSO, Lakewood PD, Denver PD, and FBI. I then contacted Lt Walcher, JCSO and advised him of my action. He asked me to assist in the deployment and direction of the tactical units. I contacted Sgt Parker who had set-up a SWAT staging area east of the school on Pierce St. and advised him that Lt. Walcher requested we assist in the tactical deployment of the various responding teams and he needed to coordinate with a tactical supervisor from each unit

I then directed Ofc Baca and Wood to set up a Tactical Operations Center for the collection and dissemination of information. I then assisted Lt Walcher in the command post.

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

At the conclusion of the initial tactical clearance, I responded to the school at the direction of the JCSO to advise the SWAT teams that paramedics would respond to check the condition of the deceased and that additional teams were requested to clear the school again, directing their attention to the numerous explosive devices and location of bodies. They were to remain in position until relieved. The time was approximately 1700. I entered the school to better debrief the responding units as to the situation.

At approximately 1730, at the request of Lt Walcher, I briefed the Commerce City PD, Boulder PD & SO, Thornton PD and Northglenn PD, who then relieved the units on scene. I then contacted Lt Walcher and cleared the scene at approximately 1800.

On 042299 I contacted Det Johnson LPD, to advise him of supplemental reports by LPD officers and of the TOC postings held in evidence. He advised that he would coordinate the exchange with JCSO. END OF SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

SUPPLEMENTAL BY CPL. SEAN P. DUGAN:

I received a page at 1152 hrs. to respond to the area of W. Leawood and S. Pierce St. to assist J.C.S.O. on a critical incident. Sgt. Tardy and I responded to the scene Code 3 and met up with Sgt. C.W. Black at approximately 1245 hrs. Sgt. Black directed us to meet up with Sgt. Doug Par in front of the school, on S. Pierce St., in front of the main entrance. Once there, Cpl. Ratcliff directed me, one of LPD SWAT's two snipers, to assist the teams' approach to the school with rifle cover. I observed an unidentified SWAT officer covering the main entrance to the school from a corner located just south of the entrance. I took up an initial position at six o'clock and approximately 70 yards from the main entrance where I could cover the majority of the east side of the school. To better cover a number of ground level windows located on the northern east side of the school, I moved to a position of 7 o'clock and approximately 40 yards from the main entrance, and positioned myself beneath a parked vehicle. From this position, me and the other unidentified SWAT officer, were able to provide cover for LPD SWAT officers conducting evacuations of students from an eastern exit located due south of the main entrance. I held this position until such time I was instructed to clear the incident. Nothing further to report. S.P.Dugan/042299.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY DETECTIVE JACKSON:

On April 20, 1999 at approximately 11:49 hours to respond to Pierce Street and Leawood Street on an assist to Jefferson County S.O. on a critical incident at Columbine High School.

On arrival I assisted with postings and other functions at the command post. As students and teachers were able to exit the building, I assisted with interviewing these subjects and collected written statements from these subjects. These statements were subsequently turned over to Jeffco.

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

I spoke to several school personnel who gave possible associate names of David Caravan, who was expelled from the school around October or November of 1998, and Eric Dutro, who is not currently a student at Columbine High School.

One of the involved students, Adam Hancey, did also advise me that a John Savage had been involved with the Trenchcoat Mafia Gang in the past, and would know a lot about them, but didn't seem to be closely associated with them this year, and hadn't been seen by him wearing a trenchcoat this school year.

I was also advised that the following people were reportedly in the office area of the school at the time of the incident, I did not personally contact any of these victims: Kiki Leyba, Sidney Keating, Jan Fielder, Chris Mikesell, Peter Horvath, Frank D'Angelo, Mona Madden, Darlene Mesch, and Judy Grecko.

I was advised that I would be assigned to a lab team for the school, and remained on standby until approximately 2230 hours, when I was released for the night.

On April 21, 1999 I responded back to the scene and was on standby for a lab team, but was subsequently assigned to conduct follow-up interviews.

I intended to [REDACTED] to attempt to contact a shooting victim who had subsequently been released from Littleton Porter Hospital, a Patricia Nielsen, phone [REDACTED]. No one was at home at the residence, and a card was left.

I later received a phone call from Nielsen, who indicated that there are two Patricia Nielsens working for the Jeffco school system, and that the victim was her daughter-in-law. She supplied the phone number for the victim, and this information was turned over to Lakewood P.O. Sergeant Dan McCaskey.

I then responded to Littleton Hospital to attempt to locate another victim, the name I had been given was Bob Warder. I was advised at the hospital that this was actually Robert Warnier, who is the step-father of a shooting victim by the name of Brian Anderson. I was advised that Warnier had responded to the school after the incident had begun, and when he discovered that his son had been a shooting victim, he apparently suffered chest pains and was transported by paramedics. Warnier was not interviewed. I later confirmed that Anderson had been diverted to Lutheran Hospital, and was interviewed by another interview team.

On April 22, 1999 I responded to the school and assisted with forwarding e-mail information received by Littleton P.O. to the FBI for further analysis.

SUBMITTAL REPORT BY DETECTIVE JACKSON:

Also contacted on 4/20/99 was Doug Johnson, a biology teacher. Johnson advised the following:

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

That he was in science room #3, located at the southwest corner of the building on the upper level.

That he heard noises, then heard shots.

That he saw a male subject, wearing a black t-shirt, 5'11" to 6'00, thin build.

That he assisted in dragging Dave Sanders out of one area and into a more secure area.

That Sanders was bleeding from the mouth.

That the window was shot out in biology room #8.

That other teachers; Theresa Miller, and Rich Long also assisted with moving Sanders.

C Jackson 9203 042899

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY OFC. D.A.ROBERTS

On 042099, at approximately 1149 hours, I responded with Det. Jackson to Columbine High School. I interviewed several students after they were evacuated from the school and had two students write out statements which were turned over to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Investigations team.

142199, I assisted Det. Jackson with attempting to locate victims of the Columbine incident for interviews.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY CNDR BRANDT:

On April 20, 1999 at approximately 1140hrs I responded to Columbine High School on a request for assistance by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office on shots fired and students injured. I arrived at S. Pierce St. and W. Leawood at approximately 1150hrs and contacted Lt. Walcher who was the incident commander for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office.

I requested that Off. Baca establish a negotiations operations center and met with Sgt. Black who had just arrived. Sgt. Black and I remained most of this incident with Lt. Walcher at the command post and provided assistance as needed with the command and activities of this incident. I cleared from the scene at approximately 1800hrs and responded to LPD for a debriefing.

RCBRANDT 7601 042899

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY DET. BRYANW LYNCH:

On 042099, at about 1150 hours, I was paged and directed to respond to Columbine High School to assist Jefferson County on a shooting at the school. Upon arrival, I was directed to interview students, teachers and other employees as they were evacuated from the school. I interviewed:

on Richard Wood
CWO: 041583
5454 W. Canyon Trail
Littleton 80128

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

student who hid in the biology room; didn't see the shooters

Jenette Oberg
DOB: 050981
7267 S. Ingalls
(303) 979-3273

student who hid in the choir room; didn't see the shooters

Stephanie Hornel
DOB: 050582
6250 S. Fenton Ct.
Littleton
(303) 797-6329

student who hid in the choir room; didn't see the shooters

's MacCauley
: 060956
118 S. Salisbury St.
Lakewood
(303) 937-3487

PE teacher; had [redacted] and Harris in bowling class; wasn't sure if [redacted] was in class on 042099 a.m.; Harris was in class 042099 a.m.; subjects usually wore black, hung out together, didn't mingle with other students; subjects threatened another student before Xmas, but no real problems since then.

Karen Christine Nielsen
DOB: 053060
7153 W. Hinsdale Dr.
(303) 933-9097

about 1215-1220, at the west side door, people busting in, shouting "get down, get down"; heard shots fired, sounded like a pistol and and a "bomb," but someone told her it was a shotgun blast; 3 students outside shot, one in the face, one in the back, one dead; someone called 911; they hid in the bathroom; heard intermittent gunfire, shooting in kitchen; a kid climbed into the ceiling to find escape route, saw a kid with a rifle, bullet grazed the head of the kid ing to escape; saw one subject in a black trenchcoat; at least [redacted] subjects involved, heard them talking, kicking stuff around, shooting.

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

Laverne Helm
DOB: 082431
3683 S. Sheridan, #K-4
Denver 80235
(303) 984-0460

kitchen worker; hid in laundry near kitchen with 18 others; didn't see the shooters

Jake Apodaca
7472 S. Vance St.
(303) 904-2358

at soccer field with a friend and heard what sounded like firecrackers; saw 3 subjects near school, shooting; one threw bombs onto roof of school; subjects shot shotgun toward him and his friend; he and his friend ran to a house and called 911; he saw a gunman ducked down with a shotgun in Weaver Park; subjects were W/M, 2 wearing black trenchcoats, black berets, black pants, black Army boots, black T-shirts, carrying shotguns; he has seen them at school before, but did not find them in the yearbook he was shown; the third subject had light brown hair, wearing a white T-shirt and pants, throwing bombs onto the roof; saw one explode; Apodaca has not seen him at school before (SEE WRITTEN STATEMENT).

Andy Lowry
DOB: 031564
587 S. Flower St.
Lakewood
(303) 988-2359

PE teacher; previously had [REDACTED] Harris and Klebold in class; saw injured kids outside school; didn't see the shooters

Littleton Police Officer Harlan Vaugh also interviewed people as they were evacuated from the school. Officer Vaugh interviewed:

Chris Howard Wischer
DOB: 031983
6572 W. Calhoun Pl.
Littleton 80123
(303) 730-2530

and his friends were about 100 yds. from the school; they saw 3 subjects, 2 wearing trenchcoats, one wearing a white shirt; they heard what they thought were gunshots, so they started running away; then they figured what they heard was firecrackers, so they started back toward the school; one of the subject aimed and fired a gun at

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

then, so they dropped to the ground, then saw the kid in the white shirt throw what looked like grenades onto the school roof; he and his friends ran away, flagged down a car whose occupants took them to a house south of the school; Wischer also saw a subject with a gun in Weaver Park, but didn't know if it was one of the shooters from the school or not; other kids Trenchcoat Mafia (NOT THE SHOOTERS) include Thaddeus Boles, Robert Perry, Brian Sargent, Joseph Stair (graduated last year); notations on back of written statement also include information about a blue Toyota Tercel, HDB-510 or HDD-510, and a subject 6'-6'2", ear-length brown hair, tie-dye shirt and jeans (SEE WRITTEN STATEMENT).

Terry Havens
DOB: 122439
7243 S. Yarrow Wy.
Littleton 80128
(303) 978-1679

math teacher; about 1125, heard 2 distinct shots; saw kids running down hall screaming; fire alarm went off; he took his class out the east entrance into Leawood Park; saw girl at Leawood Park who had a shot in the leg; kids involved possibly Kevin Harris, [REDACTED] Dylan Thebault?

Emily Kim Killingsworth
DOB: 081583
5462 S. Holland St.
Littleton 80123
(303) 932-1832

student; didn't see the shooters

Lexis Noel Coffey-Berg
DOB: 121782
8801 W. Belleview Ave., #D-201
Littleton 80123
(303) 948-2110

student; heard kids say they saw a kid with curly brown hair, wearing a trenchcoat, shooting

Jennifer Lee Hazen
DOB: 122780
8324 S. Eaton Ct.
Littleton 80123

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

(su3) 795-8871

student; didn't see the shooters

Karly Burrows
DOB: 092481
5842 W. Maplewood Dr.
Littleton 80123
(303) 797-0878

student; didn't see the shooters

Joseph Michael Ragole
DOB: 052382
5291 S. Estes Wy.
Littleton 80123
(303) 973-9298

student; didn't see the shooters

On 042199, Officer Vaughn and I were directed to interview Adam Michael Kyler, DOB: 062482, who had been treated and released from Littleton Hospital. We responded to Kyler's home and interviewed him in the presence of his parents. Kyler has a learning disability and was unable to complete a written statement at that time. We did obtain a medical records release signed by Kyler and his mother (attached to interview notes). Kyler reported that:

he went to lunch in the cafeteria about 1110 hrs.

at about 1130 hrs., teachers started yelling at the kids to get down

he and Ryan Dethridge, Jill Sikowsky and another girl got under a table

he heard what sounded like a plane flying low and then gunshots

two subjects were running and firing shots

everyone scattered, and he got hit with a chair in the ribs during the commotion

he told his friend, Dusty Hoffschneider, to stay with him, but Dusty heard the fire alarm and ran out

Adam went into the kitchen

he saw one of the suspects, a W/M, 17-18 years old, 6', unknown

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

weight, long black backwards cap, black trenchcoat,
hands in coat pockets, covering face with hand, didn't see weapons;
thought he had seen this kid before - around Xmas, this kid and his
friends had threatened Adam

Ryan told Adam he saw more subjects with the suspect; Ryan took off

the lunch ladies in the back of the kitchen told the kids to come
back there with them; two junior girls from Adam's history class
went back there with Adam; 18 people hid there altogether; they were
barricaded in the room for hours; talked on the phone to Denver PD;
SWAT team told them to get in the bathroom and then evacuated them
through the faculty lounge

Kyler's parents told Officer Vaughn and me that Adam had also told them
that:

when he and the others were barricaded in the kitchen, they
heard shots, reloading and people talking

they heard at least two different kinds of gunshots, possibly
shotguns and pistols

they were unsure if the gunfire was from the police or the suspects

they heard shots outside the kitchen

they were behind a metal rolling gate, and they heard 1-2 shots hit
it

around Xmas 1998, 4 kids in black leather trenchcoats threatened Adam,
telling him they were going to kill him if he went to class, and if
he told anyone about the threats, they would shoot him

Adam knew they were called the Trench Coat Mafia

the Trench Coat Mafia kids hung out near the post-grad center 6th-7th
hour

Adam told his parents and the following school personnel about the
threats: Sid Keating, Brad Butts, Rudy Martin, Mrs. Park, Peter
Norvath, Kevin Land.

On 042388, I received a phone call from Det. Christian Contos of the
Englewood Police Department, who relayed information about a suspicious
incident that occurred at the King Soopers, 5050 S. Federal Blvd. Det.
Contos told me that:

042299, 0900-1000 hrs., a subject in a black trenchcoat entered
store and purchased five 2-liter pop bottles

the subject was 18-25 years old, very tall and thin, with long brown
wavy hair, wearing sunglasses

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the subject engaged in conversation with the checker about the Columbine HS incident

graffiti was later found in the store restroom that said, "I bombed that high school and Goddard (middle school in Littleton) is next"

I communicated this information to Littleton Police Commanders Brandt, Beckman and Christensen, who stated they had already received this report from Englewood PD. No further action was taken by this officer. Bryann Lynch/8901/042999.

SUPPLEMENT REPORT BY DETECTIVE JOAN SCHROER;

On April 20, 1999, I heard the call come in from Jefferson Co. S.O. that there had been shots fired at Columbine High School. I responded to the school. I interviewed the following students as they came out of the school.

Tim Kastle
DOB 070481
8973 W Brandt Pl
Littleton, CO 80123 303-932-1936

stated that he was in the cafeteria when Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold came in and were shooting guns. He ran to the restroom in the teachers lounge. He crawled up in the ceiling from the restroom to try and escape. As he did this he found that it was a false ceiling and he fell through to the floor.

As he fell he found himself in front of the two. The one with the long black hair pointed the rifle at his head. He then ran out the door. Kastle wrote out a statement which was given to Jeffco Detective at the scene to help prepare a warrant.

Mary Campbell
DOB 051284
7911 W Glasgow Pl.
Littleton, CO 80128 303-978-1988

She stated that she was in the cafeteria when the two boys entered. She gave the following description of the two suspects;

1) black coat, 6'2-6'3, dark skin, long brown hair, dark eyes, rough complexion, and was wearing a cap. She saw this suspect run to the stairs and shot people as they were going up the stairs. He was carrying a "big black gun".

When she saw and heard this she ran to the commons area.

"1 5'9-5'10, he was giving orders to the other suspect, he was aiming at the ceiling with his long black rifle, he was shooting at things in the cafeteria, she noticed that he was wearing a belt that had other guns and ammunition.

A custodian was telling the kids to get down.

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

The two suspects were yelling as they shot the rifles. They were talking about how fun this was and they were laughing as they did all of this.

The two suspects started a fire in the commons and they ran out. The fire looked different because it was orange in color.

She left with two other students, Kenny Dooley and Brittany Wooden.

Campbell wrote out a statement which is attached.

Ryan David Deathrage
DOB 062581
5265 W Lake Place
Littleton, CO 80120

He stated that he didn't observe anything. When they heard the gunfire they ran to the kitchen and stayed there until the police arrived and got them out.

Eric Ault
DOP 1101807050 Pecos St.
Den Co 80221 303-412-9764

Eric had called the Littleton Police Dept. after he heard what was going on at Columbine. A Commerce City officer responded to his address and brought him to the scene as we hoped he would provide intell for those at the scene. Aukt provided the following information;

That he was a member of the trenchcoat mafia when he was still a student at Columbine. In fact he help to start it by wearing a trenchcoat. This caught on and others followed. It was not a hateful group at this time. He was a ware that it has become this way.

That he suspected that the ones in the school were probably Eric, who also goes by the name "preacher" and [REDACTED]. They are presently the two main people in the group.

That others he knew that were involved in the group were Joe Stairs, Tad Bayles, Maria (last name unknown) and Julie Daukis?.

That they didn't like school. They always talked about wanting to do things to the dean of students car.

That they were into satanic worship.

That Eric has the anarchist cookbook.

. talked about setting bombs around school and about blowing up the school.

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

That they talked about how it would be fun as a senior prank to ride through the school on a dirt bikes with guns and shoot it up.

That they hated Craig Place, the dean. They hated him because whenever they got into trouble he was the one that caught them.

That last year there was a fight between the stoners and the mafia against the jocks, The mafia group would chant satanic verses as they walked by the jocks.

That [redacted] hacks computer systems. He hacked into the schools computer system once to change grades. [redacted] use to work at Burger King.

That they use to hang out with a Dustin Seebold?.

That they use to drive around a friends whit Bronco.

On 042199 Detective Steve Johnson and I responded to Littleton Hospital and interviewed the two remaining shooting victims who were still there. They stated the following;

Mr Stapleton DOB

That he is a junior at Columbine High School this year.

That he was in the library with two friends, Micay Nakia and Pat Ireland. They were sitting at a corner table by the window.

That he heard a loud "hammer" noise. Like the sounds were coming from the wall. He heard "pops" which he later figured out was the bombs going off. They then huddled under the table.

That there were two suspects. One was tall and was one short. They had on long trench coats. They were both wearing black caps, backwards.

That they were yelling things like . "This is for the four years of BS you have given us" and "All jocks die."and "white hats willdie" Dan said he was wearing a white hat so he took it off and put it between his legs.

That the two of them were laughing the whole time.

That they pointed the gun at a black student and said, "Stand up nigger boy and then shot him.

That they then shot the three of them.

. Pat was hit twice in the head.

That he kept hitting Pat to try and keep him awake.

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

That the two suspects then threw a bomb at them. Micay caught it and threw it to the corner. They then acted dead.

That the cops were outside by this time and they shot at the officers.

That they then heard shots in the hallway so they ran out the back door.

That they hid behind a police car.

That he and Micay made it out together.

That the taller one is the one that shot him.

That Micay recognized one of them and said, "That's Dylan."

That both of them had guns. The other one had an automatic. They both had backpacks that had bombs in them. The bombs had fuses coming out of duct tape.

That Jenny Doyle ran out with them when the two suspects were in the hallway.

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We then spoke with ;
Jennifer Doyle DOB 011982

who stated the following;

That she is a junior at Columbine High School.

That she was in the library when this happened and ended up under the table with three guys; Cory (unk last name), unk name, little with blonde hair, and Austin Ubanks.

That Cory had been shot. She was afraid he was dead because she was laying on top of him and she noticed "blood leaking out."

That a kid came in the library who had been shot in the stomach. He told us to get under the table.

That she saw bullets bouncing off the wall.

That she heard gunshots and bombs and they kept getting louder.

That she saw one of the bombs thrown out the window.

That they told them to come out from under the table.

They then left the library and came back.

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

...y asked someone if his name was John but John was gone.

That when they came back they pulled the chair out from the table. She saw the black boots and thought it was the police. One of the suspects then pointed his gun at her and shot four times. She was struck in the right hand.

That she was sitting with her knees tucked up and her head was in her arms.

That she thought that the one who shot her was Eric Harris. She didn't know his name prior to this incident but saw his picture on T.V. She said she was watching Channel 4, and it was the picture on the right side of the screen. He was wearing black boots and black pants and he was a dirty blonde.

That she heard one of them say to the other one, "Do you know what else I've been wanting to do? Stab someone."

That Cory came up from the back of the library and got under the table. That she had been sitting at the front table, she had a black backpack with a calculator in it.

That Austin said (after the shooting), "We got to get out of here." Ten to fifteen of them then ran to the back door and out of the school. They then ducked behind a police car.

That shots continued the entire time. She said they heard bombs going off. The cops said they were coming from the kitchen area.

That both suspects were carrying "long guns".

That she saw only two people doing the shooting and throwing the bombs.

Later on 042199 I was asked to assist the forensic team #5 inside the school. I continued to work with this team through 042899. All paperwork for team #5 was turned over to Barbara with Pueblo Division of CBI.

Detective Joan Schroer, 042999.

SUPPLEMENT BY DETECTIVE STEVE JOHNSON:

On April 20, 1999, I was at the Littleton Police Department and at around 11:21 am heard Littleton Police Dispatcher Kathi CHRIST air a report that there had been a shooting at Columbine High School and that there were "5. ts down." I then started to respond to the area of W. Bowles Ave. and S. Pierce St. where I heard a command post was being established. When I arrived there, Jefferson County Sheriff's personnel requested that

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

into interviews of students found in the school. I interviewed the three below students who offered following statements:

Kyle Nicholas BRAMLETT
DOB: 12-25-82
6214 S. Eaton Ct., Littleton CO (303) 795-0495

That he was outside sitting by the door that led to the lunchroom with James STEWART, Mark (last name unknown), and Will BECK and he heard "all these pops." BRAMLETT offered that there were a lot of pops that he assumed were gun shots. He further said "maybe 20." That he then saw a kid come up and start screaming, "get it off of me" which BRAMLETT said he did not know what the kid was referring to but thought it must of been the gunshot wounds. BRAMLETT said he did not know what happened to that student but went into the school after that and said that the shots continued. BRAMLETT also offered that he then saw a "guy wearing a black trench coat came out of the school shooting." BRAMLETT offered that the kid had long black hair. BRAMLETT offered that he does not know the student but he has long blond hair and "everyone calls him Dylan." BRAMLETT said that he saw a male student laying on the ground the this subject had shot. BRAMLETT said that he then went in a storage room and hid with 17 other students until SWAT got them out.

I then interviewed:

Mrs. Renee REILLY
DOB: 05-06-83
6578 W. David Dr., Littleton, CO (303) 972-2324

REILLY offered that she was in the Biology room with 60 to 70 other kids and 10 other kids came in. REILLY said that she heard "noise" that she described as "guns, bombs and shots." That she knew a teacher had been shot and she saw two kids help him. That she waited for SWAT and then ran from the school.

I then interviewed:

Tyler CHENOWETH
DOB: 11-13-92
8965 W. Prentice Ave., Littleton, CO (303) unknown

CHENOWETH offered that he was in his Biology class and was taking a test when he heard gunshots and then the door was shut. That he knew there was a teacher by the name of Mr. Saunders who was shot and injured in the next room. CHENOWETH offered that he heard "lots of gunshots" and helped push desks up against the door until they were rescued.

I then assisted with minor tasks amongst the other investigators. I learned that numerous "bombs" were still in the school and it would be safe before investigators were allowed in the school.

On April 21, 1999, I returned to the school to assist in the investigation. As part of this, I went with Littleton Police Detective Joan SCHROER to Littleton Hospital and interviewed Danny STEPLETON and

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Jenn... BOYLE. I learned that both of these victims were in the library and had sustained gunshot wounds. The content of those interviews is contained within Detective SCHROER's supplement. I was able to secure a serious bodily injury form for STEPLETON that was signed by Dr. JOUY who offered that STEPLETON had treated him for 1 to 2 gunshot wounds to the left femur.

I was then assigned to the interior of the school to assist in crime scene documentation. I was assigned to team #5 and assisted that team also on April 22, 1999.

I have been assigned numerous other intel reports that will be investigated, documented and forwarded to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department.

Steve JOHNSON 8401 042999

SUPPLEMENT BDETECTIVE R. HOFFMAN:

On 4-20-99 at approximately 11:25 A.M., Littleton Police Dispatch aired that there had been shots fired at Columbine High School and that Jefferson County Sheriff was requesting assistance. I responded to the area of the high school where I met with Jefferson County Authorities. They requested available investigators to interview students and teachers as they are brought from the school.

I interviewed the following people as they exited the building:

Tyler Rex Jackman 5/10/81---He was walking to parking lot with friends. That he saw a person known to him as Dylan carrying a sawed off shotgun. That it looked as if he had shot a male student near the back patio area. That he also observed Dylan light a pipe bomb, throw it and watched it explode. Jackman also saw another male wearing a dark trench coat, unknown who. He heard several gunshots, and as he looked around saw a person shot in the leg.

- Joshua Eugene Nielsen 1/23/82--He did not observe anyone that was shooting. Did see that the front door had been shot out.

Amanda Nicole Stair 7/19/83--She was in the library at the time. Girl came in and stated that a guy had a gun. She got underneath a desk to hide. Two males (unknown names) wearing trenchcoats came in, one called the other "Red". The males yelled to the students that were hiding "Get up now or we will blow your heads off." Amanda stayed under the table. The two males starting firing several shots inside the library. She heard 5 or 6 people had been shot.

Joel Nathan Hatfield 5/25/82--He was in the cafeteria when the shooting started. Then ran into the kitchen to get away. He saw one student shot in the leg outside the cafeteria near the "hill", which is near the South parking lot. The shooter was described as tall, wearing a trench coat, red hair, wearing a baseball style cap.

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REPORT NARRATIVE:

...ah Ashley Slater 6/27/82--She was setting in the cafeteria at approximately 11:15 a.m. when she heard gunshots. She hid under a table for a few minutes then ran to the kitchen to hide with others. Describe shooter as wearing a trench coat, shoulder length blonde wavy hair, black baseball type cap being worn backwards.

Jennifer Juanita Tindall 10/25/82--She was out in the student parking lot at approximately 11:20 a.m. when she heard several gunshots. She saw two male subjects near a stairwell. She described subjects as the first one being tall/skinny, wearing a white shirt, brown hair, possibly tied back. He was carrying what she believed to be an automatic rifle, the kind she has seen on television. The second subject had on a long black trench coat, black hair tied back, heavy set. Did not see him carrying any guns. She left the area immediately.

- Suzanne Lee Meyer 7/18/83--She was in 5th hour science class. She stayed in the room the entire time. She heard several gunshots but did not see anything.

Tina Lee Becerra 7/2/82--She was in the choir room. Heard several shots but never saw anything.

Craig Dennis Place 8/16/47--He is a PE teacher. He was just coming back from lunch and was on the Northside of the building. He saw several kids running from the school. He heard several rapid gunshots but did not know who was shooting. He stated he does know of the trenchcoat gang. They dress in black and wear combat boots. They are described as being anti-establishment.

Carole Jean Weld 10/7/38--She is a library technician. A friend by the name of Lois Kean was with her. They heard a "popping noise" so they went to check on it. They saw two males with rifles, long and black rifles. One of the males had a long tubular pipe, jamming stuff down. Both then hid in a sound proof room.

All of the above documents and statements will be forwarded to Jefferson County authorities.

I did also assist with their intell group at the school on Wednesday and Thursday, April 21st and 22nd, 1989.

R. Hoffman 7803, 043099.

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AGENCY REPORTS:
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BACA, D. A.**

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY SGT. C.W. BLACK

On 042099/1140 I was advised through radio at my home of a possible hostage incident at Columbine HS. Sgt Parker and Commander Brandt were in route to the scene. I was advised that JCSO requested our SWAT team. in my position of SWAT Coordinator, I responded from my home.

On my arrival I contacted Commander Brandt and Sgt Parker. It was an extremely chaotic situation. I was unable to immediately locate an incident commander and began assisting in the arrival and deployment of the various SWAT units; Littleton PD, JeffCO SO, ArapCO SO, Lakewood PD, Denver PD, and FBI .I then contacted Lt Walcher, JCSO and advised him of my action. He asked me to assist in the deployment and direction of the tactical units. I contacted Sgt Parker who had set-up a SWAT staging area east of the school on Pierce St. and advised him that Lt. Walcher requested we assist in the tactical deployment of the various responding teams and he needed to coordinate with a tactical supervisor from each unit.

I then directed Ofc Baca and Wood to set up a Tactical Operations Center for the collection and dissemination of information. I then assisted Lt Walcher in the command post.

At the conclusion of the initial tactical clearance, I responded to the school at the direction of the JCSO to advise the SWAT teams that paramedics would respond to check the condition of the deceased and that additional teams were requested to clear the school again, directing their attention to the numerous explosive devices and location of bodies. They were to remain in position until relieved. The time was approximately 1700. I entered the school to better debrief the responding units as to the situation.

At approximately 1730, at the request of Lt Walcher, I briefed the Commerce City PD, Boulder PD & SO, Thornton PD and Northglenn PD, who then relieved the units on scene. I then contacted Lt Walcher and cleared the scene at approximately 1800.

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BOHLEN, GREG

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BACA, D. A.**

SUPPLEMENT BY CPL. GREG BOHLEN:

On 042099 I was working patrol duty when LPD received the request for assistance from Jeffco. I responded to the area with Ofc. Baca and Sgt. Parker. I arrived on scene on S. Pierce St & Leawood, at about 1137 hours. I immediately began to prepare with my SWAT equipment, when I was contacted by a number of officers from Jeffco and Denver PD. A request was made of my assistance and if we had any ballistic shields, as LPD had some of the first SWAT officers on scene. I offered both our shields. At that time Officer Neal arrived, and he also being on SWAT, we were requested to assist a group of other SWAT officers. We took the shields, and Sgt. Parker approved us assisting the other SWAT officers.

We met up with officers from DPD and Jeffco on Pierce St, just northeast of the school, where they had already prepared an LFD firetruck to provide us cover to move toward the school. I was advised that there were injured students down on the outside of the school, and we were to move to that area and attempt to rescue the students from the area. We moved up to the northeast entrance of the school. From there we could see what appeared to be a student in one of the windows. Officer Neal ended up moving to the doorway we had reached, and assisting those officers. This was at about 1215 hours.

My group then moved along the north side of the school, at which the student we saw inside was able to get to a door and run to our position. (He was later sent via other officers to one of the CP's). We worked our way to the very far southwest corner of the school. The firetruck was backed into a position by the doors on that side of the school. At that location I observed three students down on the ground. There were DPD and Jeffco supervisors at this location with us. They decided that officers would move forward to assist these students. This was about 2237 hours. At that time officers moved toward the school, and they announced that they would be providing cover/suppressive fire during the rescue. I stayed in a cover position behind the firetruck and covered open and unsecured doorways. I provided no suppressive fire. One student was removed. He had a gunshot wound and was still alive. A Jeffco patrol car was moved to us and I assisted in loading him into the vehicle and he was removed from the scene. A second student in this same position was removed in the same fashion. She was DOA. There was a male student at the bottom of the stairs at this location. Again officers moved to his position, found him also DOA, and left him at that location. I then stayed at that location, covering the school.

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A Jeffco SWAT unit arrived, and they moved up to the school, at which time a large number of students were evacuated through our location. A large group of students were also able to escape on their own, running south through the parking lot to a fence line and then running west. Officer were sent to that location to intercept and assist.

After an unknown period of time, we left our positions, at which time I moved back to Pierce St, and met with Sgt. Parker. I was then deployed to the inside of the school from the east side, to meet up with Cpl. Ratcliff and the rest of LPD SWAT. I then worked with our team to continue in the clearance of the area of the school. We were able to clear a large area of the school. Working with DPD, Lakewood, and Jeffco, we located and evacuated a large number students and adults, all from the Science, Math, and Finance area. We marked all rooms that we cleared and secured. All students were searched and lead out of the building and turned over to other Officers. Once these areas were secured, our team was ordered to respond to the main entrance. We stayed at that area until we were instructed to clear the scene.
Nothing further.

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BRAUCH

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LITTLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT:
BACA, D. A.

SUPPLEMENT BY DETECTIVE BRAUCH:

On 042099 at approximately 1125 hours, I was in my office and heard dispatch advise Sgt. Parker of the shooting incident at Columbine High School. At approximately 1130 hours, dispatch stated that Jefferson County was requesting assistance from other agencies. Cmdr. Beckman advised me to be available in the detective car on the street. At approximately 1135 hours, dispatch advised that Jefferson County was requesting LPD SWAT and I returned to headquarters and changed into my SWAT uniform. At approximately 1205 hours, I arrived at S. Pierce St., and W. Leewood where I continued to deploy my SWAT equipment. At that time, Sgt. Black asked that I remain by the CP and wait for the other team members to arrive. At approximately 1230 hours, I was advised to meet with Sgt. Parker on the east side of Columbine High School. I walked over to Sgt. Parker's location with Ofc. Wren and waited until the remainder of our team arrived.

Cpl. Ratcliff, Ofc. Eyman and Ofc. Sutherland arrived and Ofc. Neal met us on the east side of the high school. He advised us of the area that he and the DPD officers had searched. Cpl. Ratcliff instructed the team to go to that area and we entered the door southeast of the main entrance. We met with DPD SWAT and continued searching the building. There were several locked doors that were forced open. Approximately 150 students and teachers were found in several of the rooms that were searched. Myself and other LPD officers searched the students and teachers and escorted them out through the southeast door that we had entered through. We released them to other officers who escorted them to the CP.

We continued our search and Ofc. Neal marked the doors that were searched in the building. At approximately 1700 hours, we were told that the entire building had been searched with the help of the other SWAT teams and were instructed to meet at the main entrance of the building to wait for further instruction. At approximately 1730 hours, we were relieved by other SWAT teams. There is nothing further from this officer.
Angela Brauch 9301 042099

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DUGAN, S

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BACA, D. A.**

SUPPLEMENTAL BY CPL. SEAN P. DUGAN:

I received a page at 1152 hrs. to respond to the area of W. Leawood and S. Pierce St. to assist J.C.S.D. on a critical incident. Sgt. Tardy and I responded to the scene Code 3 and met up with Sgt. C.W. Black at approximately 1245 hrs. Sgt. Black directed us to meet up with Sgt. Doug Parker in front of the school, on S. Pierce St., in front of the main entrance. Once there, Cpl. Ratcliff directed me, one of LPD SWAT's two snipers, to assist the teams' approach to the school with rifle cover. I observed an unidentified SWAT officer covering the main entrance to the school from a corner located just south of the entrance. I took up an initial position at six o'clock and approximately 70 yards from the main entrance where I could cover the majority of the east side of the school. To better cover a number of ground level windows located on the northern east side of the school, I moved to a position of 7 o'clock and approximately 40 yards from the main entrance, and positioned myself beneath a parked vehicle. From this position, me and the other unidentified SWAT officer, were able to provide cover for LPD SWAT officers conducting evacuations of students from an eastern exit located due south of the main entrance. I held this position until such time I was instructed to clear the incident. Nothing further to report.
S.P.Dugan/042299.

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EYMAN, M

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LITTLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT:
BACA, D. A.

REPORT NARRATIVE:

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY OFFICER M.P. EYNAN

On 042099 at approximately 1154 hours, I received a Swat page that advised LPD Swat to respond to the area of Leewood and Pierce, to assist Jefferson County S.O. on a critical incident.

I arrived on scene at Columbine High School at approximately 1255 hours. On my arrival I met with members of LPD Swat, and were advised that we were needed in the southeast wing of the school to meet with Denver Swat officers. I was advised that several students had been shot and there were possibly four suspects in the school armed with shotguns, handguns and possibly a rifle.

Upon entry in to the southeast wing of the school, we entered on the second level just south of the the main entrance. At that time we met with officers from DPD swat and assisted them in clearing the main office area and several adjacent rooms. After assisting DPD it was determined that LPD Swat would break off and clear the southeast wing and the Science rooms. During the search LPD Swat officers entered and cleared numerous rooms in the science hall and southeast wing. During the search we located possibly up to 100 hostages, which were all searched and escorted out of the School.

LPD Swat officers did assist a joint team of DPD Swat and Jefferson County Swat Officers in the rescue of 48 students and faculty from the area known to us as Science 3.

Entry was made into rooms wether locked or unlocked. Locked rooms were entered by breaking the glass windows and reaching through the window and opening the door. Each room that was cleared by LPD officers was marked advising the time that the room was cleared and the Letters L. P. D. written on the door. LPD officers were called out of the scene at approximately 1615 hours, and advised to clear.

No further information.

Ofc. M.P.EYNAN 042199

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KELLEY, M

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LITTLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT:
BACA, D. A.**

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT BY CORPORAL MICHAEL P. KELLEY, 7904:

I recieved a page to respond at approximately 1155 hours on 11-20-99 to respond to the area of W. Leawood Dr. and S. Pierce St. to assist our SWAT team in reference the Columbine High School shooting incident. Upon arrival, I contacted Negotiations members Baca, Daphne and Wood, Mike who had set up a temporary posting center on the side of a police vehicle. I contacted Sgt Black also who advised that we needed to set up a command post to assist Jefferson County officials with the gathering and dissemination of information. We duplicated all the information officers Baca and Wood had accumulated on suspects, weapons, and hostages and gave it to the

Jefferson County Deputies inside their command post. I was told by the Jefferson County Undersheriff, Dunaway, John, that we needed to set up for negotiations in the event of contact with the suspects. We moved all of our posting materials and equipment to the Arapahoe County Sheriffs van and set up operations there. We continued gathering information on suspects, weapons, hostages and their locations, parent lists, phone extentions for students inside the school building and maps etc. of the school. We passed on this information to Sgt Black and Jefferson County personnel in their command post next to ours. Officers Baca, Wood, and myself talked to students hiding at different locations inside the high school and tried to assure them of our actions to find them and get them out safely. I talked to Matthew Cornwell in the Vocal Music Room along with over 50 other students three times during a two hour period until they were rescued by the SWAT Teams. After Matthews group release, I escorted them to the buses from the command post for transport to Leawood Elementary School. After our SWAT team was relieved, I assisted gathering all of our information up and instructed Officer Baca to place

it into an evidence locker at the Littleton Police Department at the request of the Jefferson County Sheriffs Department. Our Negotiations team was assisted in our activities at the command post by Lakewood Sgt Cole, Jerry and Ebeling, Eric. We were also assisted by FBI agents Fuselier, Dwayne and Holstlaw, Mark. No additional information at this time, MP KELLEY, 7904, 04-21-99.

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NEAL, C.

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BACA, D. A.**

SUPPLEMENT BY OFC. NEAL:

On 042099 at 1130 hrs I was working an off duty job at Union Bank. At approx 1136 hrs I heard through Sgt. Parker that an All SWAT call out was being made and that all SWAT officers needed to report at S. Pierce and Bowles ave.

I immediately responded to LPD and retrieved my patrol car and directly proceeded to the scene with my SWAT equipment.

I arrived on Scene at approx 1152 hrs. I was advised to get immediately suited up as there were reported injured students outside of the school that needed rescuing.

Myself and Cpl. Bohlen formed a team consisting of SWAT officers from Denver P.D. and Jefferson County S.O. At approx 1156 we moved into the area around the south eastern entrance of the school using a fire truck for cover.

At this point the teams split up and I was separated from Cpl. Bohlen. Myself and Officers from Denver and Jefferson County entered the school building. We entered the building at the south east entrance just south of the main entrance. This was at approx 1200 to 1215 hrs. Myself and the Denver and Jeffco officers began clearing the immediate area inside the building where we entered. We cleared this area for approx 45 minutes.

At 1250 hrs I was able to determine that the rest of my SWAT team had arrived and was outside. It was determined that I would go and find my team brief them and then re-enter the building to continue clearing the inside of the building. At this point no students or teachers had been found.

Finding my team and briefing them we then entered the building under the command of Team Leader Cpl. Ratcliff. The officers of the team consisted of Ofc. Wren, Ofc. Eymen, Ofc. Brauch, and Ofc. Sutherland.

We then supplemented the Denver team that had also had more team members arriving.

At this point we had approx 18 Officers in the building and we began a systematic clearing of the building. We moved from the South East hallways into the finance Office, and then moving into the math and science offices. We were then further supplemented by officers from the Lakewood SWAT team. As we entered the finance and math and science offices we encountered approx 60 persons consisting of mainly students locked in offices throughout the area. These students and teachers were then escorted out to safe areas. Upon clearing rooms in the building we would write on the door "cleared, LPD and time cleared." Our search ended upon reaching the area near the front of the library. This was at approx 1630 hrs. It was reported that The library had already been checked by one of the Denver teams operating in the building. All of my activity occurred on the second level of the building.

Nothing further at this time. C. Neal 9204 042199

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