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SUBJECT: Body Worn Camera Procedure
March 14, 2023, Critical Incidents

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This memorandum addresses the San Antonio Police Department's procedure on the release of audio and video recordings as they relate to two separate critical incidents that occurred on March 14, 2023.

- At approximately 1:30 pm, police officers stopped a vehicle being driven by the suspect wanted for a felony arrest warrant on Southcross Ranch Rd. The suspect displayed a handgun, held it to his head and refused to get out of the vehicle. During the nearly one hour long standoff, the suspect lowered the handgun at least once and returned it to point at this head. The suspect later shifted the handgun (pointed at his head) in a way which officers perceived as a threat. Officers fired their weapons at the suspect striking him multiple times. The suspect was transported to the hospital in stable condition and was later booked for two first degree felony warrants. Additional charges are pending further investigation.
- Later the same day, at approximately 11:00 pm, officers responded to a 911 call at the 9800 block of Colonnade. The Officers attempted to contact the suspect who fled from them. The suspect was located and one of the officers tased the suspect as he tried to evade officers and then raised a gun towards them. Another officer fired one shot striking the suspect in the leg. The suspect was charged with aggravated assault and was also booked on an unrelated warrant for deadly conduct. Additional charges are pending further investigation.

Consistent with Section 19 of SAPD Procedure 410, the audio and video recordings will not be released because they meet one of the criteria below:

- Critical Incidents where video release is prohibited by law will not be released, for example where the incident involves a juvenile.
- Critical Incidents where domestic violence is involved or suspected will not be released unless the Chief of Police determines it serves a law enforcement purpose.