



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

To Robert W. Healy, City Manager

Date January 25, 1984

From Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

Reference

Subject Public hearing regarding the 1/1/84 incident involving the arrest of ten youths for allegedly knocking down a bicyclist at the corner of Harvard & Dana Streets

Please be advised that the City Council has scheduled a public hearing relative to the aforementioned subject; said hearing to be held on Monday, January 30, 1984 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

This office is now in the process of notifying the two persons who appeared at the first hearing held by the Council in connection with this matter. Their names are Sharon Dunn and Brenda Walcott. We have no further names at this time for notification purposes.

Would you please be so kind as to transmit notification of this hearing to any persons or departments whose presence you may feel to be appropriate at this time.

Your very kind cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

PEH/mh



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OFFICE OF
THE CITY CLERK

January 25, 1984

Sharon Dunn
108 Mass. Avenue
Cambridge, MA

Dear Ms. Dunn:

Please be advised that the City Council has scheduled a public hearing to be held on Monday, January 30, 1984 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, relative to the alleged harassment of certain black youths and circumstances surrounding the arrest of ten youths on January 1, 1984 for allegedly knocking down a bicyclist at the corner of Harvard and Dana Streets. Your presence is kindly invited at this time.

Your very kind attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated by the City Council.

Very truly yours,

Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

PEH/mh

cc: Brenda Walcott



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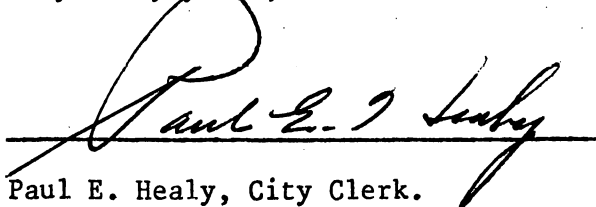
Brenda Walcott
12 Prince Street
Cambridge, MA

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cc: Sharon Dunn



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Police Department
Office of the Chief of Police



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January 20, 1984

Mr. Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Sir:

Please find enclosed a Staff Investigation conducted by the Bureau of Inspectional Services of the Cambridge Police Department.

This investigation was in compliance of Council Order # 23, January 9, 1984 to wit: Harrassment of certain black youths on January 1, 1984.

Mr. Manager, after reading the report and personally speaking with the Sergeant and some of the Officers involved in this incident, I, in all honesty cannot find any procedure or poor judgement conducted by members of our Police Department.

I will be available at any time to answer questions pertaining to the report and the incident and subsequent arrests of January 1st.

Respectfully yours,

Anthony G. Paolillo
Chief of Police

AGP:smc

Enclosure



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
POLICE DEPARTMENT
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Captain Joseph F. Grainger
FROM: Lieutenant William D. Cummings
SUBJECT: Staff Inspection Report

DATE: January 19, 1984
REFERENCE: S.I. 3 of 1984

Sir:

On January 1, 1984, at approximately 11:00 p.m., eight (8) Black youths ranging from age 13 to 17 were arrested for a felony. As a result of that arrest, a staff inspection was conducted by the Inspectional Services Section with the following results: (The officers involved in this incident were all interviewed on tape in the Inspectional Services Section and said tapes are in possession of this office.)

On January 1, 1984, a call was received by Officer Paul White at 23:00:10 (11:00 p.m.) from a male stating that there was a possible fight in front of 375 Harvard Street. At 23:00:50 (11:00 p.m.) a second call was received by Officer Kenneth Gilliam from a female that several Black youths were assaulting a white youth on Harvard Street at Trowbridge. At 23:01:32 (11:01 p.m.) Car 2 (Officers Robert Doherty and Ronald Halliday) was dispatched to Harvard Street and informed that an assault was taking place. (See attached transcript of radio messages.) Car 2R (Officers Joseph Castagno and Aurelio Ferreira) observed two Black youths at Harvard and Dana Streets. Officers Castagno and Ferreira made a brief threshold inquiry. Sergeant James Sugrue Jr. (Car 18) responded with the victim. At that time the victim stated that the two youths were part of a group of about ten black youths that had knocked him off his bike, kicked and punched him, and that one of the youths showed a knife. These two youths were placed under arrest.

Officer Lloyd Lewis was operating the police wagon on Trowbridge Street toward Harvard Street at approximately the same time Officers Castagno and Ferreira had stopped the two youths on Harvard Street. Officer Lewis observed several black youths running on Trowbridge Street toward Massachusetts Avenue and Putnam Square. Officer Lewis managed to stop two of these youths and make a brief threshold inquiry. At this time

the victim made a positive identification of these two youths, stating that the shorter of the two was the one that had kicked his bike causing him to fall. The youth he pointed to was _____ These two youths were placed under arrest.

Car 1 (Officers Lester Sullivan and Michael Walsh) responded to the initial call. On their way to the call they stopped three youths on Harvard Street, two were Puerto Rican males and one was a Black male. The officers made a brief threshold inquiry and identification and then continued into the area. When they arrived at the scene, they received information that several suspects ran toward Putnam Avenue. They responded to Putnam Avenue and Magee Street and stopped two Black youths, made a threshold inquiry and identification and then continued to search. Further down Putnam Avenue they observed a group of black youths and advised Car 2 (Officers Doherty and Halliday) that they could bring the victim to the area to see if these youths were involved. A short time later, Car 2 arrived with the victim. At this time there was a group of three black youths that were first seen by the victim in Putnam Square, which was the testimony given by Officer Halliday and Doherty. However, the victim stated that they were not the ones involved. Approximately 50 yards away from this first group of three were a group of four black males. At this time the victim stated that they were part of the group that assaulted him on Harvard Street. Sergeant Sugrue states in his report and in his interview that he again asked the victim if he could identify any of the group as being the one that kicked him or had a knife. The victim could not single out who threatened him with a knife, only that these four youths were part of the group that assaulted him. Sergeant Sugrue felt there was enough probable cause and ordered that the youths be arrested.

All of the youths were then conveyed to the police station for booking procedures. See attached Item A for time of booking to time of release from the station. Also, according to reports received, the parents responded to the station before the officers had a chance to make notification to said parents.

This incident started at 23:00:10 (11:00 p.m.) with the original call, and stopped at 23:17:02 (11:17 p.m.) at Putnam Square. After the youths were brought to the station

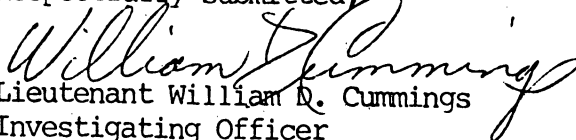
and booked, they were released to their parents or guardians within a reasonable time.
(See Item A.)

It appears that all the officers involved acted in a professional manner, adhered to the Rules and Regulations, and used proper police procedure.

C O N C L U S I O N

It appears that because of this incident, the parents and community believe the police indiscriminately and arbitrarily have been arresting Black youths. However, several statistics reveal just the opposite. (See attached Item B.) This will show that out of a total of 416 Juveniles under 18, arrested for 1983, 240 were white and 157 were black. Also attached Item C will help to show the geographic areas in which some youths were arrested from July of 1983 to November of 1983, as well as showing both male and female juveniles arrested.

Respectfully submitted,


Lieutenant William D. Cummings
Investigating Officer
Inspectional Services Section

WDC/jab

Youths Arrested on January 1, 1984, Concerning Staff Inspection Number 3 of 1984.

NAME :
CHARGE : Assault and Battery/Dangerous Weapon (Shod Foot)
Assault By Means Dangerous Weapon/Knife
LOCATION OF ARREST : Putnam Avenue and Mt. Auburn Street
ARRESTING OFFICER : Officer Castagno
TIME OF STOP : 11:02 p.m.
TIME OF BOOKING : 11:30 p.m.
TIME OF RELEASE : 12:00 a.m.
PARENT RESPONDING :

NAME :
CHARGE : Assault and Battery/Dangerous Weapon (Shod Foot)
Assault By Means Dangerous Weapon/Knife
Possession of Controlled Substance (Class D)
LOCATION OF ARREST : Harvard Street and Ellery Street
ARRESTING OFFICER : Officer Castagno
TIME OF STOP : 11:02 p.m.
TIME OF BOOKING : 11:30 p.m.
TIME OF RELEASE : 12:50 a.m.
PARENT RESPONDING :

NAME :
CHARGE : Assault and Battery/Dangerous Weapon (Shod Foot)
Assault By Means Dangerous Weapon/Knife
LOCATION OF ARREST : Mt. Auburn and Mass. Avenue
ARRESTING OFFICER : Officer Castagno
TIME OF STOP : 11:02 p.m.
TIME OF RELEASE : 11:30 p.m.
PERSON RESPONDING :

NAME :
CHARGE : Assault and Battery/Dangerous Weapon (Shod Foot)
Assault By Means Dangerous Weapon/Knife
LOCATION OF ARREST : 11 Trowbridge Street
ARRESTING OFFICER : Officer Castagno
TIME OF STOP : 11:05 p.m.
TIME OF BOOKING : 11:45 p.m.
TIME OF RELEASE : 12:25 a.m.
PARENT RESPONDING :

NAME :
 CHARGE : Possession Dangerous Weapon/Studded Band
 Assault and Battery/Dangerous Weapon (Shod Foot)
 Assault By Means Dangerous Weapon/Knife
 LOCATION OF ARREST : 11 Trowbridge Street
 ARRESTING OFFICER : Officer Castagno
 TIME OF STOP : 11:05 p.m.
 TIME OF BOOKING : 11:30 p.m.
 TIME OF RELEASE : 12:30 a.m.
 PARENT RESPONDING :

NAME :
 CHARGE : Assault and Battery/Dangerous Weapon (Shod Foot)
 Assault By Means Dangerous Weapon/Knife
 LOCATION OF ARREST : Putnam Square
 ARRESTING OFFICER : Officer Castagno
 TIME OF STOP : 11:15 p.m.
 TIME OF BOOKING : 11:30 p.m.
 TIME OF RELEASE : 12:05 a.m.
 PARENT RESPONDING :

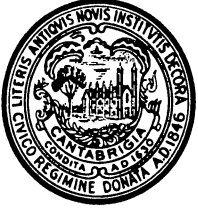
NAME :
 CHARGE : Assault and Battery/Dangerous Weapon (Shod Foot)
 Assault By Means Dangerous Weapon/Knife
 LOCATION OF ARREST : Putnam and Mass. Avenue
 ARRESTING OFFICER : Officer Castagno
 TIME OF STOP : 11:15 p.m.
 TIME OF BOOKING : 11:30 p.m.
 TIME OF RELEASE : 1:00 a.m.
 AMOUNT OF BAIL : \$20.00

NAME :
 CHARGE : Assault and Battery/Dangerous Weapon (Shod Foot)
 Assault By Means Dangerous Weapon/Knife
 Possession of Controlled Substance (Class D)
 LOCATION OF ARREST : Mt. Auburn and Putnam Avenue
 ARRESTING OFFICER : Officer Castagno
 TIME OF STOP : 11:15 p.m.
 TIME OF BOOKING : 11:30 p.m.
 TIME OF RELEASE : 1:00 a.m.
 AMOUNT OF BAIL : \$20.00

FIELD INTERROGATION CARDS

<u>OFFICER NAME</u>	<u>BADGE #</u>	<u>R.A.</u>	<u>SECTOR</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>DATE/1983</u>	<u>ETHNIC</u>
Doherty	420	383	6	0120	Sept. 26	Cauc.
Lameiras	106	303	2	0545	24	B
Carbone	169	421	4	0222	21	Cauc.
Doherty	420	423	4	1445	21	Cauc.
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	452	5	1340	20	B.
Linehan	226	451	5	0110	18	B
Kenny	417	311	2	2000	18	B
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Giacoppo	398	451	5	1440	12	Cauc
Kenny	417	382	3	2230	12	Cauc
Sullivan	212	312	2	0445	11	Cauc
Sullivan	212	312	2	0445	11	Cauc
Sullivan	212	312	2	0445	11	Cauc
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	361	6	1445	9	B
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	Somerville		0900	8	Cauc
Arancio	271	424	4	1445	7	Cauc
Lewis	242	333	3	2114	7	B
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	402	6	1540	2	B
Nagle	344	365	6	0022	2	Cauc
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	412	6	1530	1	Cauc
Burke	262	315	2	1800	Oct. 28	Haitian
Musto/Sugrue	197/324	472	5	0330	23	Cauc
Musto/Sugrue	197/324	472	5	0330	23	Cauc
Sugrue	324	252	2	1200	22	B
McElroy	373	364	6	0412	22	Cauc
Sheehan/Giacoppo	117/398	401	5	1420	18	B
Sanchez	349	303	3	2150	18	B
Sanchez	349	303	3	2150	18	B
Sanchez	349	303	3	2150	18	B
Sanchez	349	303	3	2150	18	B
Baptist	355	303	3	1900	17	Cauc
Marshall	414	431	4	0445	16	Cauc
Slivinsky	389	431	4	0445	16	Cauc
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Slivinsky	389	431	4	0445	16	Cauc
Slivinsky	389	431	4	0445	16	Cauc
O'Callaghan, Jr.	222	492	5	0245	14	Cauc
Walker	168	492	5	0300	14	Cauc
Lameiras	106	303	3	1725	10	Cauc
Kenny	417	423	4	1255	8	Cauc
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	402	6	1430	3	B
Grainger	419	362	6	0345	Nov. 28	B
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Baptist	355	334	3	0245	28	Cauc
Burke	262	291	1	0400	23	Cauc
Kenny	417	461	5	0001	2	Hisp.
Halliday	245	303	3	1715	Dec. 30	B

<u>OFFICER NAME</u>	<u>BADGE #</u>	<u>R.A.</u>	<u>SECTOR</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>DATE/1983</u>	<u>ETHNIC</u>
Cloran	206	403	6	4:10	June 30	B
Carbone	169	442	4	1840	29	B
Carbone	169	442	4	1840	29	B
Brutley	353	302	2	1830	27	Cauc
Arancio	271	464	4	1445	27	B
Brutley	353	302	2	1830	27	Cauc
Arancio	271	464	4	1445	27	Cauc
Arancio	271	464	4	1445	27	Cauc
Oppedisano	185	341	3	1445	23	B
Musto	197	403	6	2050	23	Cauc
Hall	191	405	6	2050	23	Cauc
Yusam	225	341	3	0300	23	B
Carbone	169	341	3	0245	23	B
O'Callaghan Jr.	222	462	4	0345	22	B
Giacoppo	398	451	5	1425	20	Cauc
Arancio	271	463	4	0910	8	B
McMahon	218	333	3	0140	6	Cauc
Slivinsky	389	471	5	0135	4	Cauc
Bongiorno	314	471	5	0135	4	Cauc
Bongiorno	314	315	3	0230	3	Cauc
Baptist	355	464	4	2145	July 29	Cauc
Lyons	100	271	1	0230	29	Cauc
Baptist	355	482	5	0100	29	B
Lencki	387	365	6	1530	19	Cauc
Lencki	387	365	6	1530	19	Cauc
Vincent	160	281	1	2345	1	B
Vincent	160	281	1	2345	1	Hisp.
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	453	4	1540	August 29	B
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	364	6	1430	29	B
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	365	6	1445	28	Cauc
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	431	4	1045	26	B
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	471	5	1215	25	B
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	483	5	1305	25	Haitian
Linehan	226	411	6	0400	24	Hisp.
Giacoppo/Sheehan	398/117	434	4	1400	22	Cauc
Doherty	420	375	6	2015	22	B
Voutiritsa	315	262	1	1900	20	Cauc
Carbone	169	451	5	1300	20	Cauc
Walker	168	421	4	0330	9	Cauc
Walker	168	502	5	0255	4	Cauc
Arancio	271	424	4	1400	2	Cauc
Carbone	169	451	5	2250	2	Cauc



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
City Manager

January 23, 1984

To the Honorable, the City Council:

Enclosed is a copy of the Internal Affairs investigation report of the arrests of several youths on New Year's Day.

After reviewing the report and discussing the case in detail with the Chief of Police, I reach the same conclusion as he does. While anytime an arrest is carried out, the people directly affected are likely to be upset, it appears that there was probable cause for these arrests.

The victim in this case did not just indiscriminately identify every black youth that he saw while searching for his alleged assailants. In fact, there were two instances where he stated those are not the parties that attacked him.

As the attached booking sheets indicate, of the alleged assailants none was detained at the station for more than 1½ hours and some considerably less than that.

The alleged perpetrators were placed in the women's cell block in recognition of their ages and the lack of juvenile detention space adequate to handle this number of arrests.

The Chief will be present at tonight's meeting to discuss any other issues involved in this case.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

RWH/mbf
Enc.

Response to Awaiting Report Item No. 3 re:
alleged harassment of certain black youths and
& circumstances surrounding the arrest of ten
youth on Jan. 1, 1984 for allegedly knocking
down a bicyclist at the corner of Harvard and
Dana Street.

1/30/1984
After Hearing
for orders #6
#7 and #8
Adopted by Council -

In City Council,

January 23, 1984

1/23/1984

Hearing 1st
FOC

January 30, 1984
AT
6:30/PM