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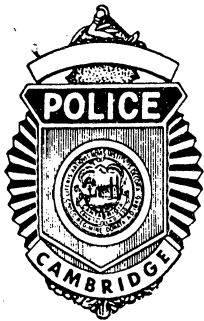
YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT	
✓				Ms. Kathleen L. Born
✓				Mr. Francis H. Duehay
✓				Mr. Anthony Galluccio
✓				Mr. Jonathan S. Myers
✓				Mrs. Sheila T. Russell
✓				Mr. Michael A. Sullivan
	✓			Mr. Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.
✓				Ms. Katherine Triantafillou
		✓		Mayor Kenneth E. Reeves

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Robert W. Healy
City Manager

March 6, 1995

Walter Boyle
Superintendent

Harold Murphy
Superintendent

Mr. Robert W. Healy
City Manager
City of Cambridge
Cambridge, Mass.

David Degou
Deputy Superintendent

Subject: City Council Agenda Item # 4, dated 2/13/95

Michael Giacoppo
Deputy Superintendent

The Police Department is very cognizant of its responsibility when an incident of a sexual assault is reported. A fine line exists between maintaining the confidentiality of a victim or the investigation and informing the public of the incident.

Yvonne Hall
Deputy Superintendent

Gloria Pimentel
Deputy Superintendent

The written policy on the release of information on sexual assault incidents, issued on February 6, 1995, includes several mechanisms for informing the community of the occurrence of an incident. Notification of local media of this type of incident, as well as all major incidents which occur, is an established standard procedure within the Department. Coupled with notification to the appropriate organized neighborhood group, an acceptable level of informing the community exists which does not unduly "panic" the public or mistakenly distorts "perception".

Lt. Thomas O'Connor
Quality Control Detail

Mr. Raymond Santilli
Planning, Budget & Personnel

Mr. Frank Pasquarello
Aide to the Commissioner

Information dissemination to officers within the Department on this type of incident, or any type of major incident, is done daily through roll call briefings, journals and daily crime bulletins (suspect information only is disseminated). You, the City Manager, are also routinely informed of any/all major incidents which occur within the City.

Sandy Coppola, Secretary
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It is the Police Department's belief that the policy, as issued, adequately notifies the appropriate groups of reported sexual assault incidents.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Perry L. Anderson, Jr.", with a stylized, cursive script.

Perry L. Anderson, Jr.
Police Commissioner

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cc: Superintendent Harold Murphy
Operations Division

Superintendent Walter Boyle
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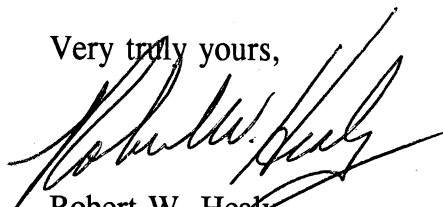
RICHARD C. ROSSI
Deputy City Manager

March 20, 1995

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 28, regarding a report on the sexual assault policy, received from Police Commissioner Perry L. Anderson.

Very truly yours,



Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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attachment

Response to Awaiting Report Item Number
Twenty-eight, regarding a report on the
sexual assault policy.

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3/20/95 - Report received &
Charter Right exercised by
Councillor Triantafello

3/27/95 - Tabled on motion
of Councillor Triantafello &
removed from Awaiting
Report List Per City Mgr &
City Clerk.

In City Council,

March 20, 1995

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6/26/95 - Report accepted &
Placed on file on motion
of Councillor Triantafello