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Preliminary Status Report Regarding the Use of Deadly Force by the Connecticut State Police on December 21, 2023 Resulting in the Death of Vaughn R. Malloy

In accordance with General Statutes §51-277a(a)(5), Inspector General Robert J. Devlin, Jr., submits this preliminary status report regarding the use of deadly force by the Connecticut State Police on December 21, 2023. The Office of Inspector General is investigating an officer-involved shooting that resulted in the death of Vaughn R. Malloy, an African American male, age 42.

On December 21, 2023, at approximately 7:30 p.m., the Connecticut State Police Violent Crime Task Force – East that included officers from the Norwich Police Department, Groton Town Police Department, and Waterford Police Department were attempting to execute an arrest warrant for Vaughn R. Malloy at the address of 69 Mechanic Street, Unit A, Pawcatuck, Connecticut. The arrest warrant, issued on June 20, 2022, was for Assault First Degree and related charges arising out of an April 28, 2022 shooting incident in Norwich in which Malloy allegedly fired a gun into the front of a residence striking a female victim. As of December 21, 2023, the gun used in that incident had not been recovered by the police.

The Violent Crime Task Force conducted ongoing surveillance of 69 Mechanic Street, Unit A, and on December 21, 2023, obtained a search warrant to search those premises for Malloy. The search warrant was executed by the Connecticut State Police Tactical Unit with assistance from members of the Rhode Island State Police Tactical Unit. While executing the search warrant, Troopers gave numerous verbal orders for Malloy to come out of the house and surrender. Due to Malloy's noncompliance, the Connecticut State Police Tactical Unit breached the front door of 69 Mechanic Street, Unit A, utilizing an extended ram attached to the front of their armored vehicle.

Shortly after the armored vehicle breached the front door, Malloy exited the adjoining unit to 69 Mechanic Street, Unit A, via a rear door into a back yard where Tactical Unit personnel were positioned. They observed Malloy with a pistol and gave verbal commands for Malloy to stop. Malloy disregarded these commands and ran eastbound to elude arrest. As Malloy ran eastbound to Mechanic Street, a Connecticut State Police canine was deployed to apprehend him. Simultaneously, Tactical Unit personnel deployed two less lethal impact munitions at Malloy. Malloy fell to the ground and was engaged by the canine. During this engagement, Malloy fired several rounds at the canine and Troopers striking a police vehicle and

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killing the Connecticut State Police canine. Sergeant Sean Paddock, Troopers Gregory Fascendini, Christopher Church, and Jarred Bolduc returned fire striking Malloy several times. Troopers on scene rendered first aid to Malloy and called Emergency Medical Services who transported him to Lawrence Memorial Hospital in New London. Malloy ultimately died from the gunshot wounds.

A gun was recovered at the spot where Malloy fell.

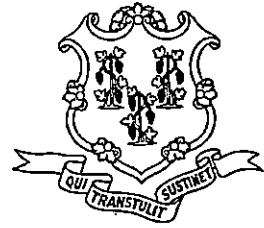
To view a portion of Trooper First Class Church's body worn camera recording, click [here](#).

To view a portion of Trooper Bolduc's body worn camera recording, click [here](#).

The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner determined the cause of Vaughn R. Malloy's death to be GUNSHOT WOUNDS OF TORSO AND EXTREMITIES. A copy of the Medical Examiner's Notification to Police is attached. As of the date of this report, neither the death certificate nor the toxicological report is available.

The Office of Inspector General, the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Connecticut State Police Eastern District Major Crime Squad, the Stonington Police Department, and the New London Judicial District State's Attorney's Office are conducting the investigation.

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12/22/2023

RE: NOTIFICATION TO POLICE

OCME CASE # 23-24751

PD CASE #

This is to inform you that the cause of death of the following person is as stated below.

Name of the Deceased	Found Dead On:	Autopsy Performed:
Vaughn Malloy	12/21/2023	Yes, 12/22/2023

The cause of death has been certified as:
GUNSHOT WOUNDS OF TORSO AND EXTREMITIES

The manner of death has been certified as: **Homicide**

Sincerely,

James R. Gill, M.D.
Chief Medical Examiner

- COMPLETION INSTRUCTIONS:**
- 1- Complete as required.
 - 2- Make one copy for case file.
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