

Massachusetts State Police

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Primary Information

Description: INTERVIEW OF RYAN HUTCHINSON

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Reporting LEO: Murgo, Christopher J (MSP4187 / Middlesex Homicide Squad / Massachusetts State Police)

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- 1. On Monday, 11/28/2022 at approximately 1600 hrs, I, Trooper Murgo along with ADA Caitlin Gemmill and ADA Graham Van Epps, spoke with Robert HUTCHINSON and his son, Ryan HUTCHINSON, regarding the death investigation of Brendan Reilly. Robert HUTCHINSON was not a witness to this incident. Ryan HUTCHINSON was a witness to the incident and came into the Middlesex District Attorney's Office voluntarily to speak with investigators. Ryan HUTCHINSON stated the following:
- 2. On 02/12/2022 at approximately 1230 hrs, HUTCHINSON was in a vehicle with his mother in the area of the rotary located at North Hancock St. and Burlington St., Lexington MA. HUTCHINSON was on his way to basketball practice. HUTCHINSON was in the rotary inside of his vehicle when traffic began to back up. At this time, HUTCHINSON observed several Police Officers verbally engaging with Brendan REILLY in the rotary. The first time HUTCHINSON and his mother were in the circle, HUTCHINSON saw the officers with pistols and what he thought was a taser. REILLY was seated on the ground. There were several Police Officers with pistols and one of them had a shotgun that appeared to be a "less lethal" gun due to the size of the barrel and orange markings on it. HUTCHINSON's mother attempted to turn the vehicle around and go the opposite way in the rotary to avoid this ongoing situation. The second time they drove around the circle, HUTCHINSON noticed that REILLY had a large knife and could see one of the officers was pointing the long-barreled gun at REILLY. He could see that REILLY was now standing up. HUTCHINSON could hear REILLY yelling, "Get away from me!" He could hear the officers yelling, but he couldn't make out their words. HUTCHINSON noticed the officer holding the long rifle start to move forward towards REILLY. REILLY "flinched" visibly. The officer stepped back and slipped, falling like he had slipped on ice. REILLY had been shuffling forward previously. When the officer with the long gun fell, REILLY suddenly charged at him with the knife now raised in a stabbing position, like he was going for the officer. HUTCHINSON heard what sounded like gunshots just after the slip-fall-lunge, but he said that his mother was driving them away and the foliage was blocking his view at the time he heard the shots.
- 3. HUTCHINSON described REILLY as "tattered"; baggy clothing and appeared to be homeless due to the clothing choice for the weather conditions. HUTCHINSON described the distance between REILLY and the Officer as approximately 7 feet. During this incident, HUTCHINSON used his cell phone camera to take several pictures of this incident, which have all been submitted to the Middlesex District Attorney's Office. HUTCHINSON stated that he took a video of the encounter, but a neighbor got mad that he had the footage and encouraged him to delete it, which he did.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher J. Murgo Massachusetts State Police

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