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Harold Medina, Chief of Police
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Albuquerque Police Department
400 Roma NW
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RE: APD Case # 20-0003358, IAFD Case # C2020-00004

Dear Chief Medina:

My review of this case included:

- Computer Aided Dispatch Reports
- APD Field Services Reports
- Internal Affairs Reports
 - Officer Interviews
- Internal Affairs Force Division Reports
 - Command Review
- On Body Recording Device Videos
- APD Policy 2-52 Use of Force

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My review of the evidence shows on August 11, 2020 the victim, Mr. R., was observed by Officer #1 entering a business in violation of a Criminal Trespass Order. In addition, store security advised Officer #1 Mr. R. had concealed store items in a duffel bag while in the store. Mr. R. was placed under arrest. While being escorted to the squad car, Mr. R. resisted and attempted to flee. Officer #1 along with security wrestled Mr. R. to the ground while handcuffed.

Finding: The CPOA finds Officer 1's conduct "Exonerated," regarding the allegation of a violation of this SOP, which means the investigation determined, by preponderance of the evidence that the alleged conduct did occur but did not violate APD policies, procedures, or training.

Sincerely,

/s/Edward Harness
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