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Memorandum

To: Leon W. Todd, Executive Director

From: Barbara Cooley, Research and Policy Analyst

Date: December 23, 2025

RE: SOP 250 – Communications
SOP 465 – Hand-Held Chemical Agent
SOP 900 – Hazard Mitigation Plan
SOP 970 – Search Warrants
US Department of Defense Law Enforcement Support Office Program

SOP 250 – Communications

MPD worked with DEC on all of the below updates and DEC approved all the updates to this policy.

- The vast majority of the updates are to update the reference from the Technical Communications Division to the Department of Emergency Communications and removing references to responsibilities that DEC has now taken over from MPD.
- Adding the designated point of contact between MPD and DEC.
- Updating the phone numbers for individuals to contact DEC.
- Adding the Fusion Division has the ability to enter calls for service if a police response is needed.
- Adding members cannot send non-work related or inappropriate instant messages to a dispatcher via a mobile data computer (MDC).
- Removing references to factor codes since these are no longer utilized.
- Updating how calls for service will be dispatched and the responsibilities of the shift commander when the closest unit available feature is used.

- Adding MPD will provide DEC with a command staff roster and contact information.
- Adding how MPD must contact DEC if lineup changes are made after the dispatcher enters the lineup.
- Updating that members who would like to make an internal audio file request must email it to DEC for processing.
- Updating how DEC may contact MPD to investigate or follow up on minor violations of communications standard operating procedures.

SOP 465 – Hand-Held Chemical Agent

- Allowing members to carry their oleoresin capsicum either on their belt or on their Molle vest since Molle vests are now authorized for officers to use.
- Updating the term Internal Affairs Division to Compliance Management Section since this is the entity now responsible for this function.

SOP 900 – Hazard Mitigation Plan

The only recommended update is to update the term Technical Communications Division to Department of Emergency Communications.

SOP 970 – Search Warrants

- Procedural updates throughout the policy for filing Search Warrant Reports due to the conversion from AIM to Benchmark and updating the timelines for the proper review of these reports.
- The Watch Center would now be available. From Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. ~~1:00 a.m. and Saturday and Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.~~ (Previous hours are stricken.)
- Updating the term Technical Communications Division to Department of Emergency Communications.
- Requiring supervisors to provide a list of squads that will be assisting in the execution of the search warrant to the Department of Emergency Communications.

US Department of Defense Law Enforcement Support Office Program

The only recommended change is updating the name of this SOI and the references to it throughout the document from the 1033 Law Enforcement Support Office Program to the US Department of Defense Law Enforcement Support Office Program since the program has changed its name.