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Chief Greg Anderson
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Ref: Armed and Suicidal Subject
KC #09-002930

Dear Chief Anderson,

On Friday, January 30, 2009 at 1634 Hours, the Kane County Sheriffs Department dispatched a possible armed and suicidal subject call at a residence on Pouley Rd. between Keslinger Rd. and the Union Pacific Railroad tracks in unincorporated Elburn. The phone call into the dispatch center was from the National Veteran's Suicide Crisis Center in New York. The caller stated that an individual was making threats of suicide and that they thought they heard a gun shot.

Kane County Sheriffs and a Campton Hills unit responded to the Pouley Rd. address to which the phone number registered to. Within a short time it was determined that responding units were at the wrong address due to a defective reverse phone registry and that the correct address was a residence in Elburn. It was at this point that Elburn PD went from being an assisting agency to being the primary. All the Kane County Sheriffs personnel and your officer then responded to the correct address in Elburn to now assist us.

Prior to my arrival, the area had already been secured around the subject's residence. I met with Sgt. Brian McCarty of the Kane County Sheriff's Police Department at a temporary command post a block from the scene to discuss what we had, and to develop strategy. He advised that the Kane County Sheriff's Department SWAT team had some members on scene and more were responding. He also advised that a hostage negotiator was back at the office and available to attempt phone contact with the subject. During the course of setting up strategic positions, phone contact was made with the subject in the residence. During these conversations, the subject threatened to shoot any police officers that would approach the residence. The subject had also indicated he saw military personnel in his back yard and that he had stabbed himself.

Eventually, phone contact was made through the negotiator and since the subject was familiar with me, he was convinced to walk out the garage door to meet me in the street. The subject exited the residence and we met in the street. The Kane County Swat Team then moved in and took custody of the subject. The

Swat Team then cleared the residence and the subject was transported to Delnor Community Hospital for treatment.

The end result of this event was that this individual was a Vietnam Vet who was on medication and had consumed alcohol. The mixture of alcohol with prescription drugs had an adverse effect and brought about his bizarre behavior, of which he doesn't remember much.

I am writing this letter to you to thank you and Ofc. Randy Johnson for assisting us in this incident and for doing so in such a prompt and professional manner.

I would appreciate it if you could pass our thanks along to Ofc. Johnson for his assistance.

As I have experienced in my thirty seven years of law enforcement it is always satisfying to know you can count on other agencies in a time of need for additional assistance.

It probably doesn't need to be stated but the Campton Hills Police Department should feel free to request assistance from the Elburn Police Department or me at any time should it be needed.

Thanks again.

Sincerely,

James R. Linane
Chief of Police