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CFS NO 1200704559	INCIDENT DATE 12/14/2012	TIME 09:41	INCIDENT DATE 12/14/2012	TIME	PRIMARY OFFICER JEWISS, DANIEL E.	BADGE NO 0336	INVESTIGATING OFFICER LUKIENCHUK, PAUL S.	BADGE NO 0573
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INTERVIEW/ STATEMENT REPORT

INTERVIEWED: Newtown Patrol Police Sergeant David Kullgren  
3 Main St, Newtown CT 06470

DATE AND TIME: December 15th, 2012 1500 – 1830 Hrs

LOCATION: Detective Bureau, Newtown Police Department

INTERVIEWED BY: Western District Major Crime Detectives Paul Lukienchuk and Jeremy Combes

PURPOSE: Interview Newtown Police Department First Responders, responding to the Sandy Hook  
Elementary School murders.

BACKGROUND: On December 14th, 2012, Sergeant Kullgren was the acting day shift patrol supervisor and was among one of the first police officers responding to the scene.

On December 14th, 2013, at approximately 0900 Hrs, Sergeant Kullgren was in his office and heard "shots fired" from dispatch. Sergeant Kullgren

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then responded to the scene with lights and siren along with other officers who were at the department.

ACTION TAKEN: On December 15th, 2012, at about 1500 Hrs, Detective Combes and I met with Sergeant Dave Kullgren at the Detective Bureau, Newtown Police Department to conduct his interview.

During the course of the interview, Sergeant Kullgren voluntarily gave a verbal statement on how he and his officers responded to the scene, he then typed and signed his sworn statement.

Sergeant Kullgren made the following statement: "I am employed with the Newtown Police Department as a Patrol Sergeant and have been employed since December 27th, 2001. On 12/14/2012 I was working the Day Shift as the Patrol Supervisor. At approx. 0900 hours I was in the Patrol Sgt's Office at Police Headquarters. At sometime after 0900 hours I heard the ECC dispatch a call of "shots fired" in the front of the Sandy Hook Elementary School. I immediately grabbed my jacket and ran out to my patrol vehicle. As I was running out of police headquarters I remember seeing a number of other officers running towards the parking lot as well. All responding officers within sight to include myself responded code 3, emergency lights and siren to get to the scene as quickly and safely as possible. At some point while in route ECC staff updated that they had a number of calls indicating that shots were being heard as well as glass breaking. While in route to the scene I directed two officers to approach the school from the rear of the school via Crestwood Drive all other responding units were to stage with me halfway down Dickenson Drive. As I approached the Dickenson Drive I observed 8-12 young children running east across the front parking lot of the Sandy Hook Volunteer Fire Department. I turned onto Dickenson Drive and stopped my patrol vehicle approx. 350 feet away from the main entrance of the school. As I exited my patrol vehicle I heard a number sounds which I identified as gunfire. I believed the sounds were coming from the front entrance area of the school, I shouted to Officer Chapman and Smith who were with me to grab their rifles. The parking lot had a many vehicles in it which obscured our line of sight to the front door. We formed a line and approached the sound of gunfire attempting to identify the person or persons who were shooting. I recall transmitting to all units something to the effect of "this is it" as the gunfire continued. Officer Chapman, Smith and I continued to approach the main entrance of the school weaving in and out of parked vehicles keeping each other in sight. We were approx 115 feet from the main entrance of the school, at that time I could see the most of the main entrance area. I heard a burst of shots being fired and then there was silence. I did not see any people I only saw a dark colored sedan parked just to right of the main entrance in the driveway which was unusual. I heard one of the officers shout that they observed people over by the dumpsters located to the right of the school by the delivery entrance. As I looked in that direction I saw two people; one was a white adult female with dark colored hair that appeared to be shoulder length. I believe the female was wearing a red coat. The second person I only saw partially as they were standing partially behind the dumpster. I shouted for them not

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to move and to put their hands up.

I then heard Officer McGowan radio that he had an adult male attempting to gain access to the school on the back left side. Thinking this may be the shooter attempting escape we made a determination that I would break off from Officer Chapman and Officer Smith and assist Officer McGowan. I ran around the left of the school and observed Officer McGowan who had an adult white male with his hands up. The white male had short brown hair he appeared to be in his early forties wearing a navy blue or black tweed type jacket. He stated he was a parent trying to get his child. I had the male prone out and began handcuffing him when Captain Rios took over. I then joined Officer McGowan and Officer Seabrook who breached the door on the southeast side of the building. We entered the door and turned left and began searching every unlocked room, closet and bathroom in a clockwise direction. At that point Chief Kehoe joined our breach team. Approx. halfway down the back hallway on my left I found a doorway to what appeared to be the library. I located at least one adult female and 15-20 children huddled behind a long counter. I asked the adult female if anyone else was in there, she said no but pointed west in the direction our search was headed. I told them to remain where they were and not to move unless they were told to by a police officer. As I exited the library I could smell gun powder in the air. We continued to search the halls in counter clockwise direction. During the entire search I attempted to update the ECC and all staff with pertinent information as needed. All locked rooms with children and teachers were told to remain secure in their rooms until we could safely evacuate them. After clearing the back hallway we turned right and began clearing the west hallway. I then heard an officer at the end of the west hallway closer to the main entrance yelling to an adult male to put his hands up and drop to the ground. The male hesitated and only complied after multiple commands. He was shouting something that I could not understand. Officer McGowan secured him with hand cuffs and searched him. We determined he was a janitor for the school. I took command of his keys so we could access locked rooms and closets. The janitor was escorted out the front of the building which had been cleared by the second breach team. We continued our search, approx. halfway down the west hallway on the left we found at least two adult females and 15-20 students in the gymnasium. We informed them to remain there and we would return when it was safe to do so.

We completed our search up to the main hallway, with keys in hand we then decided to back track and check locked rooms and closets. This was done with the understanding that the second breach team that was now backed up by responding State Police and local agencies officers. We completed our secondary search of the West and back hallways finding no injured persons or suspects. As we reached the southeast corner of the school we observed the secondary breach team completing their search of the east hallway. I then had Officer Seabrook and Officer Smith search the roof of the school.

When the search was complete we determined it was safe to begin evacuating students and staff. My team went clockwise and the second team went counter clockwise. One room at a time we began evacuating students and staff out the south east rear doors.

Once we were confident the school was clear I began to assess the areas that contained victims. I observed in the main hallway to the left of the main office one white adult female deceased who was lying on top of another younger white adult female, both with what appeared to be multiple

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gunshot wounds. As I was assessing the two affected classrooms I located multiple children with fatal wounds as well as at least two white adult females. One of the adult females appeared to have non fatal wounds. I attempted to locate a pulse multiple times. I located no pulse and observed no chest rise. I continued to locate any victims who may be alive but found none. There was a second classroom which had approx the same amount of adult and student fatalities. There was a deceased white male just inside the door of one of these classrooms. He was laying on his right side. He appeared to be approx 18-20 years old, he was wearing a black t-shirt, beige vest with multiple pockets on it, black BDU style pants and he had a camouflage colored holster strapped to his right thy. He had what appeared to be a fatal gunshot wound to his head and had soft foam type ear plugs in his ears, I believe they were green in color. I observed at least three hand guns one was in his holster, one on the floor which I believe was a Glock and a third which was under his body. I also located in the room an M16 type rifle with two magazine clips taped together which was on the floor next to rifle.

At this time a paramedic arrived and wanted to being examining the victims. I determined it was best to photograph the immediate scene prior to moving any victims. I obtained a departmental camera and photographed all the victims and the general areas. By this time State Police Major Crime staff arrived on scene as well as State Police ESU team members. The scene was turned over to them and I remained on site as a liaison between our department and State Police. The State Police Lieutenant I was working with informed me their ESU team was going to search the school inch by inch. I continued my liaison duties until I was relieved by Lieutenant Vanghele at approx. 1330 hours."

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Sergeant Kullgren's statement (4 pages original)

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