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PRELIMINARY STATUS REPORT REGARDING THE USE OF DEADLY FORCE BY THE BRISTOL POLICE DEPARTMENT ON OCTOBER 12, 2022

In accordance with General Statutes §51-277(a)(4), Inspector General Robert J. Devlin, Jr., submits this preliminary status report regarding the use of deadly force by the Bristol Police Department on October 12, 2022. The Office of Inspector General is investigating an officer-involved shooting that resulted in the death of Nicholas Brutcher, a Caucasian male, age 35.

On October 12, 2022, at approximately 10:42 p.m., three Bristol police officers responded to 310 Redstone Hill Road, Bristol, Connecticut, in response to a 911 call. At that location, Nicholas Brutcher fired upon the officers, fatally shooting Sergeant Dustin DeMonte and Officer Alex Hamzy, and wounding Officer Alec Iurato in the leg. Officer Iurato later fired one shot striking and killing Nicholas Brutcher.

The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner determined the cause of Nicholas Brutcher's death to be a single gunshot wound to the neck with spinal cord injury. A copy of the medical examiner's Notification to Police is attached. As of the date of this report, neither the death certificate nor the toxicological report is available.

The Office of Inspector General, the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Connecticut State Police Central District Major Crime Squad, the Bristol Police Department, and the New Britain Judicial District State's Attorney's Office are conducting the investigation.