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Chief Michael Geier
Chief of Police
Albuquerque Police Department
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Albuquerque, NM 87102

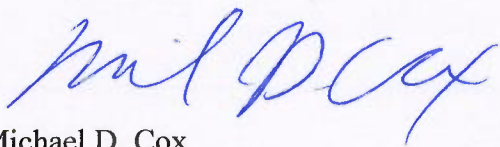
RE: Accidental discharge by Officer Robert Sanchez on
November 1, 2017, during the arrest of Joseph Jeantete and
Edwin Padilla.

APD case # 17-0106634; DA case # 2018-01099-1, and
2018-01100-1

Dear Chief Geier:

District Attorney Raul Torrez has asked me to address the backlog of officer involved shooting cases. Included in those files was the report of the investigation of the pursuit and arrest of Edwin Padilla and Joseph Jeantete on November 1, 2017, on charges of auto theft, and information about Albuquerque Police Officer Robert Sanchez' discharge of his weapon during the arrest. However, the investigation clearly established that it was an accidental discharge, which makes this incident unsuitable for a full review and report. An accidental discharge provides no relevant police conduct for review of potential prosecution; therefore I will be closing the file.

Very truly yours,



Michael D. Cox

Special Prosecutor

Cc: Raul Torrez, District Attorney, Second Judicial District

Detective Michael Davis, Albuquerque, Police Department