SPECIAL ORDER 18-01

TO: All Port Police Personnel

SUBJECT: News Source Monitoring and Notification Procedures

In order to ensure organizational and community awareness of significant newsworthy events, the following measures shall be implemented.

Facility Security Section
Within the Threat Detection Center (TDC), a television monitor is to be tuned to a Los Angeles based station that has helicopter capabilities such as KCAL9, ABC7 or CBS2 at all times, and second television is to be tuned to CNN or other credible international news source.

Security Officers standing watch in the TDC are to monitor television news reports for high risk police activity, including vehicle pursuits, near or within the Port of Los Angeles and the surrounding communities of San Pedro, Wilmington and Harbor City. The listed news sources shall also be monitored for reports of significant local, regional, national and international incidents and/or natural disasters such as earthquakes, weather events, tsunamis, political unrest, rioting, terrorist event, significant road closure, or others of interest to our policing activities as well as those that could impact the maritime industry. TDC watch standers shall immediately notify the Watch Commander of any of these types of incidents.

Watch Commander
Upon receiving a report, the Watch Commander shall initiate appropriate Port Police actions and make notifications. The Watch Commander shall continue to monitor a respective emerging event and adjust response operations as necessary.
With regard to vehicle pursuits the Watch Commander can authorize trailing and intervention in accordance with Port Police Policy 314.

**Everbridge Notification System**
An Unusual Occurrence (UO) notification shall be sent via Everbridge and a Department email to the UO group, Harbor Department employees and facilities, and FSO's, as appropriate, to give them notice of law enforcement activity for their awareness and safety as well as significant emerging events.

At the conclusion of the activity or if the activity moves out of the port area, a final closing notification should be sent via Everbridge and email.

**Guideline template notification:** Police units are in pursuit of a vehicle in the Los Angeles Port area. If you are able, please monitor your local news channel to track the progress of the pursuit. Please take proactive actions for your safety or the safety of your facility.

**Area Covered**
The direction in this Special Order applies to police pursuits or other police activity within the following area:
- South of 405 Freeway (between the 110 and 710 fwys)
- West of 710 Freeway (south of the 405 fwy)
- East of the 110 Freeway (south of the 405 fwy)
- Southbound on the 110 fwy (south of the 405 fwy)

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