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Ms. Sherry Williams
Atlanta Citizen Review Board
City Hall Tower, Suite 9100
55 Trinity Avenue, SW
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RE: 15-78 Complaint of Raymond Washington

Dear Ms. Williams:

I am in receipt of the Atlanta Citizen Review Board's letter pertaining to the complaint of Raymond Washington recommending that the allegations of false arrest and excessive force be sustained against Officer David Holleman.

The Office of Professional Standards has concluded its investigation and it has determined from evidence to exonerate Officer Holleman of Atlanta Police Department Work Rule 4.1.1 Appropriate Action Required and not sustain work rule 4.2.50 Unnecessary Force.

This investigation did not produce any factual evidence to indicate that Officer Holleman acted inappropriately during his brief encounter with Mr. Washington. Officer Holleman responded to a 911 call of an armed person who pointed a gun at another. The caller did provide a minimal description to the call taker and the information was provided to the responding officer as it was received. The investigation revealed that Officer Holleman did stop Mr. Washington as he was approaching the call and Mr. Washington fit the minimal description relayed. Officer Holleman did state he had his weapon out in his encounter, but stated he never pointed it at Mr. Washington. It would not be unreasonable for an officer to have his weapon out when the call indicates there is a possibility of an armed person or an act involving a weapon. There was no evidence that Officer Holleman tried to get Mr. Washington to leave when he requested a supervisor. There was also no evidence to indicate that Sergeant Anthony Moore violated any work rules to circumvent or influence Mr. Washington from making a complaint by giving him a ride. Sergeant Moore advised he gave him a ride as a courtesy and Mr. Washington never expressed that he wanted to make a formal

complaint to him. Mr. Holleman was detained for approximately two minutes before it was discovered he was not the suspect involved in the incident.

Having assessed the Atlanta Citizen Review Board's and the Department's investigative findings regarding this matter, I reject the findings of the Atlanta Citizen Review Board.

Major J. Durant, Commander of the Office of Professional Standards, can be contacted at (404) 546-5945, if you have any concerns regarding this complaint.

Sincerely,



George N. Turner
Chief of Police

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