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TO: Capt. Charles M. Zizza

DATE: 27 July 1967

FROM: ptlm. John C. Arnold

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SUBJECT: Riot, action and information

Sir:

I hereby report while reporting for work on 12-8AM tour of duty on 7-13-67, working out of "G" squad, I observed a large crowd of people and at least (5) five so called Civil Rights Leaders and other militant persons that I have never seen previously. I observed that these so called leaders or speakers were not able to control the crowds, which began to stone the precinct and throw molotov cocktails and setting several cars on fire. Fellow Officers and myself were refrain from dispersing this unruly mob several times.

I was later placed in squad with approximately (12) twelve other officers under the supervision of Sgt. Jones, after some of the mob had dispersed and the precinct was still being stone and the fireman came under fire of stones and bottles while attempting to put a burning car out that was in the Project Parking Lot. Several squads were sent out to disperse and protect the firemen. The mob broke up and ran in different directions still throwing bottles and stone at police. Bands of youths mixed with adults began to break Tavern & Liquor Store windows in the area around the precinct and looting same.

Police in squads were sent to different locations to attempt to protect some stores from total looting. My squad, under Sgt. Jones, was sent to secure and protect the Tavern and liquor store located at 17th Ave & Lilly St., while there officers were stone with bottles and stones, thrown from Project Roofs which were not secured by Police, while station at Lilly St. bands of youth took a position a half block away at Fairview Ave & 17th Ave, and there chanted and throw missiles at police. After conditions worsened, half of our squad was sent up to Fairview & 17th Ave to disperse this mob. As police approached the mob, they began to throw bottles and stones while fleeing. After approximately a Half-hour the mob regrouped and began to chant and stone police again.

While station at Lilly St. & 17th Ave, opposite General Electric Co. I was speaking to a guard who had informed me he had observed two Volkswagons with some white and colored males exchanging boxes from one car to another, which appeared to be to him Molotov Cocktails and stones. I asked him if he had observed the plates of either car. He stated no, and that he did not want to get involved. He refused to give his name and went back into the plant. This transferring took place on Boyd St, near 17th Ave.

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The mob had regrouped and were chanting at police. I heard a car stop at the intersection of Fairview and 17th Ave. I was standing at Lilly St. & 17th Ave., behind a lamp pole. I could not see this car but, could hear it's motor, which sounded like a Volkswagon engine. I could also hear persons in the mob asking for something from the driver, One youth stated "Give me one of them things to", not being able to see what was going on it became my opinion that the driver was supplying these persons with object to throw at police. He finished conversing with persons of the mob, and proceeded East on 17th Ave, coming in my direction. I immediately stepped into the street and ordered the driver to the curb. I asked the driver to produce his identification and to open the trunk area of his car. His paper indicated he was a W/M, Thomas E. Hayden, of 194 Ridgewood Ave, driving a Volkswagon, faded dark blue and neglected. Registration # LYR 886. A search of his vehicle revealed nothing. I further questioned Mr. Hayden, as to why he was not attacked by the mob and why did he stop there to talk to them. He replied, that they stopped him and talked to him and let him go. I asked him where did he work. He stated he was not on any Pay Roll of the City but, that he did work with the Anti Poverty Agency UCC and others of the City. At this time one of the Civil Rights Leader (name unknown to myself, but seen several times at the precinct) greeted Mr. Hayden as "Tom", and stated he was alright. At this point I permitted Mr. Hayden to leave, as I had no legal right to detain him, even in view of the fact that I did not beleive his statements.

Myself, Sgt. LaFrances and approximately (5) five other officers went up on Fairview Ave thru a rear yard on Lilly St., in a surprise attempt to catch some of the person throwing stones and bottles. We were seen by younger persons and they fled as we approached from Fairview Ave, going north to 17th Ave. Person remaining were ordered by myself and others to clear the area, all person started to leave except for one who became loud and refuse to leave. He was arrested by me for Creating a Disturbance by causing a crowd to recolect after being ordered to leave and becoming abusive to officers. He was Paul James C/A/27 CA. 11530, CC 41317-8-9, arrested for creating, resisting and Assault & Battery on a Housing Police Officer.

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The second day 7-13-14-67, (within a 24hr period) I reported at 3:45PM., I entered the precinct from the rear on the Livingston St. side, upon entering the precinct I found it was a lot safer on the out side.

We were put into squads and ordered to clear the area in front of the precinct. This was done. I was then assigned in the area of the precinct. I later apprehended a looter at a Dry Cleaning store at 283 West Kinney St., C/M/ Clifford Lee Key, CA 12662, CC 42347, arrested for looting same. Later assigned to the Wagon and later assisted at Headquarters with prisoners to be printed,

Respectfully submitted,

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