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Report:**RNC Shooting - Donald Dunphy****Mitchell's Brook, NL****APRIL 21st, 2015 TUESDAY**

I was assigned a task to obtain a statement Lisa Smyth regarding this matter.

1100 Hrs - I called and spoke with Dr. Lisa Smyth, the wife of Joseph Smyth. She advised she was free tomorrow morning to speak with me regarding this matter. She had previously been made aware of this through Cpl. Burke speaking with Joseph. Time set for her to attend the RCMP headquarters at 9:00 a.m. tomorrow.

APRIL 22nd, 2015 WEDNESDAY

0907 Hrs - I began an audio/video recorded statement with Lisa Smyth. Statement was taken at RCMP headquarters in St. John's, NL. The following is a synopsis of the interview:

- She and Joe have known each other since 1996. He was her best friends brother. She did not know him real well as she was 15 and he was 19 and at that time this was a big age difference.
- They started dating in 2006 and got married in 2007. They have one child together, a boy who will turn 5 next month.
- On April 4th, 2015, the Saturday before the shooting, they got together with friends of theirs at their friends cabin in Whitbourne, NL. Joe was working this date and didn't arrive there until supper time to join them.
- Joe had approximately 2-3 glasses of wine that evening before going to bed early, approximately 8:30 p.m. She explained that Joe and his friend had been getting up at 5:30 a.m. lately and going to the gym and due to this they were both very tired.
- The next morning Joe left for work around 8 a.m. Sunday morning April 5th, 2015.
- Joe typically worked 3 and 2's. on for 2 off for two and then other times on for 3. This weekend in question he worked Friday, Saturday and Sunday and would have Monday and Tuesday off.
- Lisa communicated via text with Joe earlier in the day asking him to pick up a couple of grocery items before he got off duty.
- The first time she spoke to him after the incident was when she called him. He sounded like he had a cold, and in fact she knew that he did have one. She asked him if something was wrong and he said yes and told her he had just been involved in a shooting. She asked if he was ok and said he was and that he would have to call her back. She did not know at this time who exactly had been shot or had done the shooting.
- He called her back and gave her further detail on what happened. He was now with RNC/RCMP members. She was aware that he was going out to investigate a possible threat that was made. He told her once he got there the man had a gun.

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- Joe got home between 6 and 7:30 p.m. Warren Sullivan, an RNC member, dropped him off. She gave him a hug and he told her what had happened. Joe then made calls to his family to let them know he was ok as they story was out in the media by that time.
- That evening they went to bed and watched a movie in an attempt to try and get it off of their minds until the next day.
- They have spoke together about all the "what if" scenarios if things had played out differently.
- Social media has been a hard thing to deal with, seeing the comments on VOCM and other news outlets. The mainstream media has been good for the most part reporting the facts.
- Lisa expressed that she was just thankful that he is alive and she is worried about his potential return to work and what the capacity of that will be. Joe to is worried about the direction that his career will take after this incident. She does not believe that Joe regrets anything.
- Joe has been in policing for 11-12 years. He went to PEI for his police training.
- They have always lived in St. John's except for in 2013 when she went to live in Ottawa with their son for 1 year for specific medical training she was taking. Joe stayed in St. John's. Their relationship was a long distance one for that year.
- They have not had any relationship issues out of the normal of any couple who would argue or bicker about things at times.
- They have not had any financial issues. She makes a "ridiculous" amount of money and Joe makes good money as well. They overall do not have much stress in their lives.
- Since she has known Joe he has never had any addictions issues of any sort. He is a social drinker. She did not know him well before he was a police officer. He use to live in Lake Louise teaching Skiing before he joined the RNC.
- Joe is not a violent person at all.
- Since this event happened there hasn't been anything that she has heard that was alarming to her or caught her attention. She did state that Joe has been having dreams of getting shot himself. Of the situation going differently and that he told her he could feel getting shot. Believed this was normal.
- Joe used to be in charge of the RNC Facebook page and it has been hard for him to stay away from the social media aspect of things.
- Joe has been seeing a doctor for his own mental health in the aftermath of this incident.
- Her knowledge of what happened basically was that Joe went there and was invited in, Joe did not see Mr. Dunphy as a threat to himself, Mr. Dunphy wanted Joe to sit down but Joe would not due to the dirt in the home and the high number of cats walking around. Joe has an allergy to the cats. She knew that Joe spoke with Mr. Dunphy's brother next door prior to speaking with Mr. Dunphy. She stated Joe was good at diffusing a bad situation and she was surprised this happened. As she knows, Mr. Dunphy was sitting and the gun came out of no where. Joe couldn't recall drawing his firearm but recalled shots being fired and the aftermath of the incident.
- Lisa stated that Mr. Dunphy's brother that lives next door and that Joe spoke to, actually called RNC member Mike Adams and expressed that he was happy that Joe was ok and that he was sorry he didn't give Joe a warning about how his brother could react violently and that he should of brought another officer.

0940 Hrs - Statement was concluded. Lisa Smyth was escorted out of the building. Thanked for her time.

Statement burned to disc. Notes copied and placed on file with report.

This task concluded.

Cst. Michael Nippard 55787

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Task reviewed and concluded

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