RISK MANAGEMENT USE OF FORCE FOR CROWD CONTROL REPORT

CHP 275C (New 12-22) OPI 033

INCIDENT INFORMATION				
DATE OF INCIDENT	TIME OF INCIDENT	LOCATION CODE		
05/01/2024	1900	502		
CITY OF OCCURRENCE		COUNTY OF OCCURRENCE		
Los Angeles		Los Angeles		

OF THE ASSEMBLY, PROTEST, DEMONSTRATION, OR INCIDENT

On May 2, 2024, at approximately 0230 hours, California Highway Patrol Southern Division Special Response Team (SRT), Border Division SRT and Inland Division SRT, responded to the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) campus, located within the city limit of Los Angeles and the county of Los Angeles, in response to a Mutual Aid request involving an unlawful "Pro Palestine" protest. SRT personnel were dressed in the blue utility uniform and civil disturbance/riot gear.

At approximately 0300 hours, SRT members were met with assaultive resistance, which included multiple protesters throwing items, such as frozen water bottles, bottles containing urine and other unknown fluids, full 12 oz soda cans, pieces of plywood, wooden poles, and various sized fire extinguishers (full and emptied). Protesters used various wooden objects to assault SRT personnel. SRT personnel were also sprayed with fire extinguishers and other unknown chemical irritants, causing temporary blindness and difficulty breathing.

SRT grenadiers utilized 40 mm Foam Baton's and 12-Guage Shotgun with Kinetic Energy Bean Bag Rounds when they identified specific subjects assaulting officers. At no point were kinetic energy projectiles fired indiscriminately in the crowd of protesters.

This incident lasted for approximately 5-6 hours.

APPROXIMATE CROWD SIZE	NUMBER OF OFFICERS INVOLVED	NUMBER OF DOCUMENTED INJURIES AT THE TIME	THE REPORT WAS GENERATED
800	240	0	
DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUE USED	DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUE TYPE (Check all that apply)	REQUESTED ADDITIONAL OFFICERS	DESCRIBE
YES	ADVISED/WARNED 🖌 ISSUED VERBAL COMMAND	DS REQUESTED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	
	✓ ATTEMPTED TO GAIN VOLUNTARY COMPLIANCE	OTHER	

OTHER DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES OR OTHER ALTERNATIVES TO FORCE ATTEMPTED

The following orders were broadcasted in English, both prior to and continuously throughout the operation, utilizing UCLA's public address system: "I am Captain Gawin Gibson, a police captain for the University of California, Los Angeles. I hereby declare this to be an unlawful assembly and in the name of the people of California, command all those assembled in the area inside of Dickson Plaza to immediately disperse, which means break up this assembly. If you do not do so, you may be arrested or subject to other police action. Other police action may include the use of less lethal munitions, which can cause significant risk of serious injury to those who remain. Section 409 of the Penal Code prohibits remaining present at an unlawful assembly. If you remain in the area, which was described regardless of your purpose in remaining, you will be in violation of section 409 of the Penal Code. The dispersal route is a walkway between Powell Library and Kaplan Hall, southbound." These orders began to be announced starting May 01, 2024, at approximately 1821 hours, and continued until May 02, 2024, at approximately 0639 hours. The dispersal orders were announced a total of 29 times.

Throughout the arrest operation, SRT personnel gave protesters continuous orders to leave the area. The orders included notice of proper direction of exit, along with advisements that if protesters left the area, they would not be subject to arrest.

DISPERSAL ORDERS GIVEN	USE OF FORCE ANNOUNCEMENTS GIVEN			
Yes	Yes			
JUSTIFICATION FOR USE				
Defense Against a Threat to Life or Serious Bodily Injury to Any Peace Officer				
TYPE OF KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILES OR CHEMICAL AGENTS DEPLOYED				
	ROUNDS DEPLOYED			
✓ 12-GAUGE SHOTGUN WITH KINETIC MUNITIONS	33			
	ROUNDS DEPLOYED			
✓ 40MM DIRECT IMPACT SPONGE ROUND	24			