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Subject: Preliminary Findings - In Custody Death 20054309

The preliminary findings of the autopsy of b/m Tommie McGlothen Jr. d.o.b 1/5/1976 determined that the did not die as a result of blunt force trauma. The pathologist described that McGlothen suffered abrasions to his knees and elbows. McGlothen suffered a contusion to his left eye. The contusion was described as severe , however would not result in death. I was informed by the preliminary findings no blunt force trauma was believed to have resulted in McGlothen's death. McGlothen was described as very combative throughout the entire arrest. All four officers who used force were interviewed and described no unwarranted use of force by themselves or other officers , at this point into the investigation. The preliminary autopsy verified by medical science that the officers did not use force to the point that would have resulted in McGlothen's death. The video of unit #530 shows McGlothen in the rear of the patrol car at the time he went unconscious. The video shows that McGlothen's uncooperative behavior caused the officers to originally place him into the vehicle in a poor position. This does not look good, however officers used extreme restraint and corrected McGlothen's position. McGlothen was sitting up straight and seat belted in an upright position at the time he is observed losing consciousness. The video shows no signs that McGlothen asphyxiated while in the rear of unit # 530. A spit mask was placed over McGlothen face prior to him going unconscious. The mask is mesh and is designed to be worn in the manor officers utilized the protective mask. Officers were faced with the fact McGlothen continued to spit on them during this deadly virus.

I would like to reach out directly to Dr. Thoma an invite him to watch the entire portion of the video of unit #530 second camera rear of the patrol car. I do believe that with the doctors finding the video evidence would assist in the doctors ruling.

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