Independent Police Review Authority
Log# 1074374

INTRODUCTION
On 25 March 2015, at approximately 1601 hours, at XXXX W. 63rd Street, X[th] District radio room corridor, it is alleged that Officer A, # XXXXX was inattentive to duty when he accidently deployed his Taser as he attempted to spark test it and he unintentionally depress the trigger instead.

APPLICABLE RULES AND DIRECTIVES
Rule 10 "Inattention to duty."

ALLEGATIONS
On 25 March 2015, at approximately 1800 hours, Sergeant A, # XXXX, of the Xth District, registered a complaint with IPRA Investigator A.

It is alleged on 25 March 2015, at approximately 1601 hours, at XXXX W. 63rd Street, X[th] District radio room corridor, it is alleged that Officer A, # XXXXX accidently discharged his Taser when he attempted to test it, but unintentionally depressed the trigger instead.

INVESTIGATION:
On 07 November 2016, **Officer A** appeared at IPRA and he was presented with his Notification of Allegation and Administrative Rights forms. It is alleged On 25 March 2015, at 1601 hours, at XXXX W. 63th Street, X[th] District radio room corridor, Officer A was inattentive to duty when he accidently caused his Taser to deploy. In response to the above allegation, Officer A stated he was not inattentive to duty; the incident was just an accident. In clarifying his assertion, Officer A stated he received the Taser from the radio room personnel. He stepped to the side, took the Taser out of its holster, pointed it in a safe direction towards the cider block wall, and flipped it on its side to press the hard switch button to test the arc. In doing so, he accidently pressed the trigger. (Att.'s 8, 9, 10)

CONCLUSION
The Reporting Investigator recommends a finding of **Sustained** against Officer A in that he was in violation of Rule 10 "Inattention to duty," when he accidently caused his Taser to deploy while attempting to test the Taser's arc, instead he unintentionally depressed the Taser's trigger, causing the prongs to deploy.