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Re: Transparency Policy – COPA Log # 2020-4463

Dear Chief Assistant Corporation Counsel Nelson:

This letter serves as notification that on November 24, 2020, the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) has scheduled for release, pursuant to the Transparency Policy, files related to Complaint Log No. 2020-4463. The Office of Cook County State's Attorney requests a thirty-day extension to December 24, 2020 in accordance with Section IV(B) of the Transparency Policy to publicly release files related to this incident.

Criminal charges were filed against an involved person and release of the materials at this time could create a substantial likelihood that the person will be deprived of a fair trial or an impartial hearing pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7(d)(iii). Due to COVID-19 limitations and scheduling, this matter was just indicted on November 13, 2020 and is scheduled for arraignment on November 25, 2020. The defendant has not been arraigned and has not formally been appointed an attorney to represent him against the criminal charges. Furthermore, the defendant in this matter has not been informed of any release of materials as he is entitled to such information. The defendant in the charged matter may or may not seek a court order asking that the materials not be released. The criminal case number that was just assigned is 20CR1202801 and is next up on November 25, 2020 for assignment/arraignment. Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,

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