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COPA RELEASES VIDEO AND OTHER MATERIALS OF FATAL OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING OF 13-YEAR OLD ADAM TOLEDO

The Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) has just released video and other materials related to the fatal officer involved shooting of 13-year old Adam Toledo on its website. The release of materials of the fatal shooting, which occurred 17 days ago, March 29, 2021, is in accordance with the City’s Video Release Policy and well in advance of the 60-day deadline.

Materials released today include (17) relevant body-worn footage videos of involved and responding Chicago Police Officers, (4) third-party videos, (1) OEMC transmission, (2) audio recording of 911 calls, (6) ShotSpotter recordings, and Case Incident and Tactical Response Reports, which can be viewed by visiting https://www.chicagocopa.org/case/2021-1112.

Videos released today have not been edited in any form, however redactions protecting personal and private identifying information have been made. COPA’s commitment and practice since inception, is to release video and other materials in an objective and transparent manner, without commentary or narrative and in their original state as captured during the incident. Release in this manner is necessary to avoid even the slightest appearance of bias or prejudgment in advance of the completion of our investigation. Finally, videos released today are identical to those reviewed by the family and their representatives on April 13, 2021 at COPA’s headquarters.

We ask for calm and peace following today’s release and ask for patience as COPA continues to bring this investigation to conclusion.

COPA is committed to completing a full, thorough and objective investigation of the entire incident which includes not only the officer’s use of deadly force but also the actions of other involved officers leading up to and following the deadly shooting to determine whether each officers’ actions complied with Department policy directives and training.

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