

9/23/20

Kevin McCormack introduces himself as Officer, calling me from “the Detective squad” about 24 Sept (I quickly start my Sony recorder). He gives me his email and asks me for the videos of the damage to the 2 Ring Cams. He is shocked that I have almost a gig and says he can’t handle that. I reduce as much as I can and send him an email (below) and because he has not replied in almost 3 weeks, another on 10/14/20 about 5:25 pm--

To Officer/Detective McCormack:

For the record, I copy Deputy Inspector Peter Andrea, even though he never replied to my email of Sept 16, 2020, to ensure that he approves, or at least is aware, of what is happening under his watch.

This relates primarily to your handling of, or better yet, seeming unwillingness to handle, at least 2 Criminal Mischiefs, namely, my Ring Peephole Cams being ruined or damaged.

However, I also write now concerning intimidation by officers against whom I had lodged on 27 July 2020 an official complaint with CCRB/IAB: Byun and Kahn. Byun had called me after I tried to speak with a supervisor (and *only* with a supervisor) and *I indicated to Byun that I did not want to speak with him, telling him explicitly that I had filed a formal complaint against him.* Nevertheless, he and Kahn show up 9/18/20 and treat me in an inconsiderate fashion, to what end? To scare me? To suggest possible revenge for me filing a formal complaint? More on this below, but is there no policy of “recusal” if a patrolman has been accused of misconduct?

I start with a short background, especially for the sake of Deputy Inspector Andrea.

In one of the most recent incidents, on Saturday, 9/18/20, I called in 5 crimes, all but one occurring since Covid-19 lockdowns:

- (1) Harassment or felony *Intimidation of a Victim* against me by Joey Nezaj (and Meera al Sayegh) on 31 Jan 2020: I was knocked out and put into the hospital on 21 Nov 2018 by Joey, the 36-year old landlord’s son who is bigger than I and half my age, and have been suing him and his landlord-father, Hamdi Nezaj & Kosova Properties, in Supreme Court since Nov 2019 for this matter, *and for a false arrest since April 2016* ;
- (2) felony *Intimidation of a Victim* against me by Hamdi and his apparent other son Lucky (who was in a mask) on 5/26/20—Lucky had helped have me falsely arrested after the assault of Nov 2018;
- (3) ruining my first Ring Peephole Cam by 5/22/20, the final event being Hamdi’s IR Blasting (on video);
- (4) damage to my second Ring Cam (Hamdi caught on video physically vandalizing it with a gloved hand on 6/26);
- (5) and Grand Larceny of about \$1500, with someone gaining entrance to my apartment without forced entry, when only the landlord supposedly has a key to one of the two locks on the front door and when a “calling card” was left behind: a Christmas card signed by one of the 2 superintendents. The card had never been in my apartment from the moment I returned from 3 months of travel on 16 Jan 2020.

Regarding Hamdi’s vandalizing of my Ring cam: On 6/26/20, the arriving officers Byun and Kahn would only report it as non-arrestable Harassment rather than arrestable Criminal Mischief, despite the damage I showed to them. I opened an IAB investigation and the 34<sup>th</sup> has been allowed to investigate itself and quash the incident. Concurrently with the IAB

investigation, despite me trying for weeks to get a supervisor to speak with me, *Byun himself called me and, to reiterate, I made it clear that I did not want to speak with him.*

Nevertheless, when I tried to report via 911 the 5 incidents above at 11:30 a.m. on Sept 18, **five hours later** Byun and Kahn both arrived at my front door, to my great dismay and fear, notwithstanding the many other patrolmen who could have taken the report. Against my express wish, they insisted on me reporting the incidents *to them*. Yet then they refuse to listen to anything but a brief introduction of the first incident (the *Intimidation*) before promptly departing, saying that they will report the incident (which they never do). Even leaving aside their attitude, facial demeanors and tone of voice, their presence is intimidating in and of itself, given the recent history and especially given my formal complaint against them.

Realizing 15-30 minutes after they left that they were not going to the patrol car to get official paper forms and that they had simply blown me off, I had to call 911 a second and third time before **Officers El Sasser (Badge 6097) and Balsam (Badge 2657)** finally came the next day, Sat 9/19. Then *they* claimed they only had time to listen to four of the complaints over the course of two visits (leaving and coming back). The Report #'s according to Office Vargas (Badge 5869) are **2020-034-4627** (apparently for the 2 Criminal Mischiefs for the Ring Cams) and **2020-034-4686** (apparently for the \$1500 of missing goods). No report seems to have been generated for the very serious charge of (the first) *Intimidation of a Victim*.

***I now have call 911 yet again to report the other possible felony (#2 above) and to show the video I have of the landlord and his son,*** unless you can take that report and look at the video (which I can send as an attachment or via WeTransfer). Given my long on-going court cases (as a victim) against the landlord and his agents, how Officers Elsasser and Balsam can tell me that they do not have time to listen to another incident that is plausibly yet another instance of felony *Intimidation of a Victim* is puzzling and demoralizing.

At 70 years old, and given the ongoing dangers from Covid-19, I am still leery of going in person to the 34<sup>th</sup>, and, as Elsasser and Balsam will confirm (because my video shows them experiencing the setup), I have a large monitor set up by the front door, with my computer and me at the opposite end of a long table. I wear an N95 mask and was tested negative for Covid-19 in August, so it is very safe for a patrolman to view the video at least 8-10 feet from me.

***Officer (or Detective) McCormack, before we go further, please give me your badge number.***

Also, are you going to respond to my email below (from almost 3 weeks ago) about sending you the evidence for the damage to my two Ring Cams? I assume this pertains only to **2020-034-4627**.

***Finally, please coordinate with Deputy Inspector Andrea and contact the appropriate personnel at the 34<sup>th</sup> to ensure that Officers Byun and Kahn do not confront me ever again.*** You have dozens of other patrolmen who can take a report.

Sincerely,

Dr. Gregory Scot

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On Friday, September 25, 2020, 05:35:15 PM EDT, Gregory Scott <drgscott@yahoo.com> wrote:

Detective McCormack:

I have winnowed down the files to provide the bare minimum evidence that the landlord Hamdi Nezaj and his "clan" ruined by first Ring Cam and then damaged my replacement.

The recordings are about 25 videos (almost always about 30 seconds each) and 10 photos, and total 598M. Can you handle that?

One crucial iPhone capture (about 2 min) shows how the first Ring Cam lost the ability to download properly when Hamdi blasts it on 5/22 (this is a different incident from him physically grabbing it from the side, thinking presumably that he is out of the lens' range): It is 297M.

If you can't handle the 598M, I could take about 8 screenshots of the 297M file, probably reducing the total to about 300M, and write up additional explanation or explain the series of shots over the phone. Anything less leaves gaps and risks you deciding that there is reasonable doubt.

*Or I could hand over a USB stick to some officer who happens to be in the neighborhood, by just popping down when they're in front in a patrol car.* I really don't want to have to mail a USB and deal with the P.O., which doesn't enforce the rules of 10 max in their lines, inside, with people often wearing masks that are so loose they might as well be not wearing anything.

I want to re-read everything tomorrow to make sure it is all clear, so I can have everything sent by Sun or Mon at the latest, depending on your reply.

Regards,

Dr. Scott

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11/13/20

Called McCormack, given no answer to 2 emails. Got Supervisor – Commanding Officer of the Detective Squad Lt. Hart (no badge # and no first name would he give).

Report of (at least one of the Ring Cams) for 5/13 as their listed date (M. Bliss using laundry basket and IR Blaster) is Report # **2020-034-04627**

He beat around the bush and finally said no recusal policy about patrolmen answering 911 calls.

He said he would open again (so they closed it?) the 4627 and asked me for the videos. No email, so an officer will get it. We agreed on Tues 11/17; I call him first and he'll send out someone.

He cannot take a report of the 5<sup>th</sup> crime (Hamdi intimidation of victim). I have to call 911.

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11/16/20

Called Lt. Hart at Detective Squad. First person (female) who answered put me in the "Call again later queue" rather than taking a message or giving me his voicemail. I called back immediately, got a man who took a message. Hart called back. He had someone come over to pick up the packet with 2 CD's and the Word doc, and gave me his email, and I sent a copy of the Word doc to:

[Harvin.hart@nypd.org](mailto:Harvin.hart@nypd.org)

He said call him in about 10 days to see whether it will go to the DA or not. Said they would consult with the DA (maybe). Really???