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DEPARTMENTAL SERVICES
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Central Records Bureau
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Crime Scene Investigations Bureau
Property and Evidence Bureau

Uniform Services Division
Airport District
Community Affairs Bureau
Police Operations Bureau
Special Patrol Bureau

Psychological Services Section

INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES
Criminal Investigations Division
Domestic Crimes Bureau
Homicide Bureau
Robbery Bureau
Sexual Crimes Bureau

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POLICE SERVICES
North Operations Division
Intracoastal Station
Miami Gardens Station
Northside Station
Northwest Station

Police Services Bureau

South Operations Division
Cutler Ridge Station
Hammocks Station
Kendall Station
Midwest Station
Agricultural Patrol Section

SUPPORT SERVICES
Administration and Technology Division
Communications Bureau
Information Systems Support Bureau
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Court Services Bureau
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The City of Doral
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The Village of Palmetto Bay

December 16, 2010

Chief Gary Mayer
Troy Police Department
500 West Big Beaver
Troy, Michigan 48084

Dear Chief Mayer:

It has been brought to my attention that personnel from your department are worthy of commendation.

On Monday, November 1, 2010, Ms. Ann Scherlinck from Troy Police Department was contacted by a Miami-Dade Police officer, in regards to a report of a missing female juvenile. The 16-year old female was allegedly in Michigan being given drugs and prostituted by an adult male who was unknown to the parents of the juvenile. Various civilian personnel from Troy Police Department were instrumental in coordinating the effort to locate the juvenile with officers from your department. As information was being received, civilian dispatch personnel notified the team of officers of possible locations where the juvenile might be. Information was later obtained that the juvenile had moved into another jurisdiction. When our Miami-Dade Police officer contacted Madison Heights Police Department Sergeant Timothy Pawlowski, he quickly assembled an effort to locate the juvenile within his jurisdiction. In a joint effort with Troy Police Department, the missing juvenile was finally located in a hotel room which had indicia of prostitution. The juvenile was accompanied by the adult male that was originally reported, as well as an adult female.

Due to evidence of possible juvenile prostitution, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) was contacted by Sergeant Timothy Pawlowski from the scene. The FBI agent expressed an interest in following up and investigating the case with possible federal charges forthcoming.

Personnel from both departments are commended for their alertness and dedication to duty. Their swift actions, patience, and perseverance resulted in the recovery of the juvenile, and the possibility of exposing a prostitution ring. They are all a credit to their Police Department's and the community they serve. Thank you for a job well done.

Sincerely,

Richard Amion, Major
Town of Miami Lakes

LT. BJORK, P.O. PILTZ, P.O. GARCHER, P.O. BRAZEL, P.O. HUCK, CS. JELLEY, CS. STRASZ, PSA SCHERLINCK PSA. MCCANDLISH -
THANKS FOR YOUR GOOD WORK ON THIS COMPLEX INCIDENT. Gary

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