

**SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT**

Date Prepared: 11-29-11

1. Original File No. P11169228		2. [Redacted]	3. Off. ID 303	4. NPC C	5. Crime-Ct.	6. Crime-Ct.	7. Crime-Ct.	8. Date / Time Occurred 11-15-11 / 0717	9. Day											
10. Date / Time Assigned / /		11. Date / Time Inv. Start / /		12. Date / Time Inv. Term. / /		13. Type Clr. EXC		14. Type Cont. REC		15. Additional Adults Arr.	16. Additional Juv. Arr.									
17. Address of Occurrence (Street No. - Name - City - Zip) 10406 Indiana Ave. #Q242 Riverside, CA									18. Type of Place Apartment											
For ID USE: V = Victim, I = Informant, W = Witness, O = Other																				
19. ID: 20. Last Name - First - Middle (Firm Name if Business) V Detective Rita Cobb #484								21. Race - Sex		22. DOB										
23. Residence Address				24. Business or School Address Riverside Police Dept.				25. Home Phone		26. Bus. Phone										
27. ID:		28. Last Name - First - Middle (Firm Name if Business)						29. Race - Sex		30. DOB										
31. Residence Address				32. Business or School Address				33. Home Phone		34. Bus. Phone										
S U S P E C T	35. Last Name - First - Middle Romo, Alfred				36. Race - Sex		37. Age		38. Ht.		39. Wt.		40. Hr.		41. Eyes		42. DOB or ID [Redacted]		43. Arrested Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	44. Address - Clothing - Other Marks or Identifying Characteristics Deceased																			
45. Juv. Other ( ) 2		Juv. Ct. Prob. ( ) 5		Within Dept. ( ) 6		Detained ( ) 1		Not Detained ( ) 2												
S U S P E C T	46. Last Name - First - Middle				47. Race - Sex		48. Age		49. Ht.		50. Wt.		51. Hr.		52. Eyes		53. DOB or ID		54. Arrested Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
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ORIGINALLY REPORTED DOLLAR VALUES ARE CHANGED AS SHOWN BELOW

Cat.	A Currency Notes	B Jewelry Prec. Met.	C Clothing Furs	E Office Equip.	F T.V. - Radio Cameras	G Firearms	H Household Goods	I Consum. Goods	J Livestock	K Misc.	
PS	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
PR	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
60. Originally Reported Offenses (Code - Crime) (1) 664-187 PC / OIS (2)						61. Original Offenses Changed to (Code - Crime) (1) (2)				58. Stolen Auto Value ASP 59. Recovered Auto Value A2	
62. Narrative of Supplemental Report										Reporting Officer Det. Rick Wheeler	
62a. Audio Recording Available? Yes										Reviewed By [Signature]	
62b. Incident Number:										COPIES TO	
<b>Interview:</b>										VCLC ( )	
Det. R. Cobb										ACTIONS	
										APB Sent	
										APB Cancld.	
										APR Sent	
										APR Cancld.	
										DOJ - NCIC Entered	
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1 **Interview:**

2 On November 16, 2011 I assisted with the investigation into an attempt murder of a police officer/  
3 officer involved shooting case. Part of my duties was to conduct an interview with Detective Rita Cobb.  
4 Detective Cobb was at the scene of the shooting but did not fire her weapon. The interview was audio  
5 recorded. What follows is a synopsis of that interview.

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7 Detective Rita Cobb #484:

8 Det. Cobb and other members of the RPD SACA (Sexual Assault/ Child Abuse) attempted to serve a  
9 search warrant at S/Alfred Romo's apartment earlier that morning. The search warrant was a result of a  
10 sexual assault investigation conducted by Det. Ellefson.

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12 The group of RPD personnel taking part in the search warrant service was: Det. Ellefson, Det.  
13 Fernandez, Det. Cobb, Sgt. Ramaekers and Det. Jones. The unit drove to the Tyler Springs Apts (10406  
14 Indiana Ave. #Q242) together and parked away from the apartment. The unit moved to the apartment,  
15 located on the ground floor, in the listed order. As they passed by the fenced rear patio area of the  
16 apartment, Det. Cobb could see a light was on inside the apartment through the open vertical blinds over  
17 the sliding glass door. Sgt. Ramaekers commented that he thought he had seen a female inside the  
18 apartment as they approached the front door.

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20 The unit lined up at the front door in the same order, Det. Ellefson as point, Det. Fernandez with the  
21 door banger, Det. Cobb third in line and Sgt. Ramaekers behind her. Det. Jones stood by near a window  
22 to the apartment in case anyone tried to flee. Det. Ellefson knocked on the door and did not announce  
23 her presence in an effort to keep the incident low key. When no one answered the door, she then rang  
24 the doorbell and knocked louder. At this time, Sgt. Ramaekers said the light that had been on was  
25 turned off. Det. Ellefson then knocked loudly and very clearly and distinctively announced 'Riverside  
26 Police Department we have a search warrant.' Det. Ellefson made this announcement 2-3 times and  
27 then it was decided to breach the door with the door banger. Det. Fernandez stepped up and hit the door  
28 2-3 times with the door banger before it opened.

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30 Once the door was opened, Det. Ellefson entered the apartment first with Det. Fernandez following close  
31 behind. Det. Cobb could see that Det. Ellefson had to move a large couch out of the doorway as she  
32 entered. As she entered the apartment, both she and Det. Fernandez began giving commands to anyone  
33 inside the apartment to come out into the open with their hands visible. The apartment was very dark  
34 when Det. Ellefson entered but she was able to turn on a light once she cleared the couch out of the way.  
35 This provided light to the living room area. Det. Fernandez was unable to clear the doorway and enter  
36 the apartment because of what happened next.

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38 Det. Cobb could see around Det. Fernandez and toward a long hallway leading to the southern part of  
39 the apartment. Det. Cobb could see what she thought was the barrel of a long gun being held in a high  
40 carry position in the hallway. She could not see who was holding the gun. She watched as the barrel  
41 was being leveled toward the front door where both Det. Ellefson and Det. Fernandez were near.  
42 Seconds later, Det. Cobb heard several gunshots being fired by both Det. Ellefson and Det. Fernandez  
43 inside the apartment. These gunshots were answered by another gunman from elsewhere in the  
44 apartment.

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1 This exchange of gunfire happened a couple of times and at one point, officers and the suspect fired at  
2 the same time. The gunfire continued until Det. Cobb heard a “thud” come from inside the apartment.  
3 She assumed it was the suspect falling to the ground. Det. Ellefson and Det. Fernandez exited the  
4 apartment and the entire unit moved to positions of cover surrounding the apartment until uniformed  
5 RPD officers arrived. Det. Cobb recalled hearing a single gunshot come from within the apartment as  
6 she and the rest of the unit were moving to cover. She was certain it did not come from any of the  
7 officers in the unit. Det. Cobb estimated the entire incident happened over a 2-4 minute period from  
8 when they first approached the apartment to when they moved to cover outside of the apartment.

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10 During our interview, Det. Cobb was dressed in jeans and a shirt, civilian type clothing, and not in a  
11 traditional RPD uniform. She was also wearing a bullet proof vest, a raid vest (marked with the word  
12 “Police” on the front and back) and a gun holster. Det. Cobb said she dressed in this way during the  
13 search warrant service. The other members of the unit were dressed similarly in easily identifiable raid  
14 gear.

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16 **Follow Up Info:**

17 A couple hours after we completed this interview, Det. Cobb came to me and said she recalled both Det.  
18 Ellefson and Det. Fernandez telling someone to “drop the gun” twice, after they entered the apartment.  
19 She could not see to whom they were speaking but she felt it must have been the same person who they  
20 would later fire upon.

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22 **Disposition:**

23 This report will be given to Det. Sanfilippo for his casebook

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