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Re:	Partial Certification Memo for Case Number: 2022OPA-0331

## **Partial Certification Memo**

OIG has reviewed the investigation for case number <u>2022OPA-0331</u>. Based on review, OIG can certify this case as <u>timely</u> and <u>objective</u>. However, the case cannot be certified as <u>thorough</u>.

As it related to the element of thoroughness, OIG finds that additional policy of professionalism (5.001 Standards and Duties. 10. Employees Will Strive to be Professional), should have been included in the potential polices violated by the named employees. Attaching investigative and BWV/ICV deficiencies alone does not adequately capture the seriousness of a potential failure to respond to a domestic violence incident.

Typically, OIG would provide OPA the opportunity to take additional steps to resolve the issue. Although, because this matter is one of missed allegations, and the case has already been classified, while OIG can certify the case as timely and objective, it cannot be certified as thorough.

OIG appreciates OPA's willingness to discuss additional case issues that, while inconsequential to this certification, will be strengthening to Seattle's Police Accountability system.

Respectfully,

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