

SiRT

SERIOUS INCIDENT
RESPONSE TEAM

Summary of Investigation

SiRT File # 2019-032

Referral From

RCMP-Halifax District

October 7, 2019

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Interim Director
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SiRT began its investigation at about 10:00 pm on October 7, 2019, upon receiving a referral from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police - Halifax District (RCMP - HD) The referral was in relation to the actions during that afternoon and evening of Cst. Jeffrey LeBlanc, an off-duty member of the Halifax Regional Police (HRP). SiRT concluded its investigation on November 29, 2019.

Facts:

On October 7, 2019 RCMP- HD received a call for assistance from a female adult in a Halifax suburb concerning a threatening telephone call by an adult male. The male caller was Cst. LeBlanc, who was known to the complainant. In responding to the call, RCMP- HD came to believe that the actions of Cst. LeBlanc were criminal in nature and contacted SiRT.

During its investigation, SiRT reviewed statements from the complainant, two other civilians and a number of police officers. Other evidence relevant to the matter was collected.

Based on evidence gathered during the course of the investigation, reasonable and probable grounds existed to lay charges against Cst. LeBlanc.

On October 31, 2019, SiRT laid one charge of uttering a threat, one charge of possessing a weapon for a dangerous purpose, one charge of careless use or storage of a firearm or ammunition and one charge of contravening a regulation made under paragraph 117(h) of the *Firearms Act* against Cst. LeBlanc. The offences were alleged to have occurred on October 7, 2019.

Conclusion

This matter is currently before the courts. In accordance with SiRT policy, this report will not discuss the facts of the matter in any further detail. Serious Incident Response Team Regulations under the Police Act state that the Director may choose to provide a supplemental summary of the investigation at the conclusion of the prosecution.