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August 7, 2012

BPC #12-0334

The Honorable City Council
City of Los Angeles
c/o City Clerk's Office
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Honorable Members:

RE: DNA QUARTERLY REPORT – 2ND QUARTER 2012

At the regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held Tuesday, August 7, 2012, the Board APPROVED the Department's report relative to the above matter.

This matter is being forwarded to you for approval.

Respectfully,

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

MARIA SILVA
Commission Executive Assistant

Attachment

c: Chief of Police

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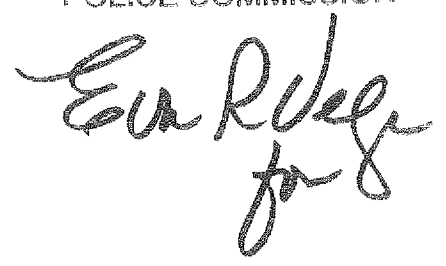
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TO: Honorable Board of Police Commissioners

FROM: Chief of Police

SUBJECT: DNA QUARTERLY REPORT – 2nd QUARTER 2012

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

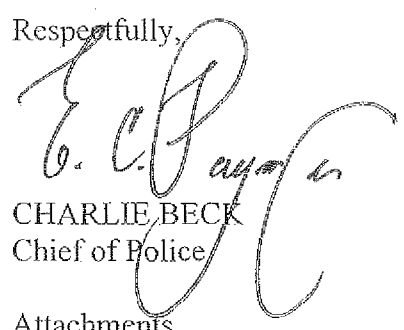
1. That the Board of Police Commissioners (Board) REVIEW and APPROVE this report.
2. That the Board TRANSMIT the attached DNA Quarterly Report, 2nd Quarter 2012, to the Los Angeles City Council.

DISCUSSION

At the request of the Los Angeles City Council and the Public Safety Committee, this is the 2nd Quarterly Report as it relates to the reduction of the backlog of the DNA Evidence Kits.

Should have any questions, please contact Captain William P. Hayes, Commanding Officer, Robbery-Homicide Division, at (213) 486-6850.

Respectfully,



CHARLIE BECK
Chief of Police

Attachments

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Approved August 7, 2012
Secretary Maria Silva

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TO: Chief of Police

FROM: Chief of Detectives

SUBJECT: DNA QUARTERLY REPORT - 2ND QUARTER 2012

At the request of the Los Angeles City Council and the Public Safety Committee, this is the 2nd Quarterly report as it relates to the reduction of the backlog of DNA Evidence Kits.

Should you have any questions, please contact Captain William P. Hayes, Commanding Officer, Robbery-Homicide Division, at (213) 486-6850.



KIRK J. ALBANESE, Deputy Chief
Chief of Detectives

Attachments

Detective Bureau
DNA Quarterly Report- 2nd Quarter 2012
July 18, 2012

PURPOSE

The Los Angeles Police Department's (Department) Robbery-Homicide Division (RHD) and Scientific Investigation Division (SID) have been asked to provide a written report and remain available to provide monthly verbal reports to the Los Angeles City Council and the Public Safety Committee, as it relates to the reduction of the backlog of the Sexual Assault Evidence Kits (SAEKs). The SAEK Progress Report is posted and updated on the Los Angeles Police Department's website monthly.

BACKGROUND

In September of 2008, the City Controller's Office published an audit regarding the status of all SAEKs booked into evidence at the Los Angeles Police Department's Property Division. The Department revised the serology request procedures to process all the Historical Backlog and all incoming SAEKs booked into Department. In April of 2011, the Historical Backlog was completed. In January of 2012, a revised monthly SAEK Progress Report was developed to demonstrate our continued efforts to ensure that incoming SAEKs are accounted for and completed in a timely manner.

PROGRESS

At the end of the 2nd Quarter of 2012, the Department had 424 SAEKs booked into custody awaiting completion. Of the 424, all were in-process for analysis with the exception of 26 SAEKs that were pending a request from the investigating officer. There were 38 SAEKs that had been in-process for over 90 days, and of those, only 7 were over 120 days. Currently, no requested SAEK cases are over 150 days in-process.

From April 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012, the Department has completed the analysis of 382 SAEKs. Of the 382 SAEKs, 246 SAEKs were outsourced while 136 were completed in-house. Fifty-nine SAEKs have been reviewed and deemed unsuitable for testing. During this time period, the Department uploaded 196 profiles into CODIS and received 107 CODIS hits.

The Department has completed the review of the 1,475 SAEKs previously mentioned in the Controller's Office 2nd Follow-up Audit report. The Department identified 229 SAEKs that could possibly yield a profile based on current analysis procedures and standards. Requests for analysis were submitted for 228 of the 229 SAEKs that were categorized for priority and submitted to SID. The one remaining SAEK was reviewed and validated as unfounded, having no evidentiary value.

During this quarter, the funds spent for outsourced SAEKs were tabulated at \$267,907.00. From July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2012, total funds spent for outsourced SAEK analysis has totaled \$9,728,008.00.

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New staff positions approved for the SID, Serology/ DNA Unit (SDU) Expansion Program have been or are being filled, in response to an unfreeze request submitted last year. Selections have been made to fill vacancies for one Chief Forensic Chemist II, two Criminalist IIIs, one Supervising Criminalist, seven Criminalists and one Laboratory Technician II. The Personnel Department must offer an exam and establish a list before hiring can commence for the Laboratory Technician I positions. This process was not completed before the end of the last fiscal year. The promotional positions filled will create a total of five additional vacancies (due to promotions); two additional laboratory technician vacancies are the result of hiring two current laboratory technicians as criminalists. The Department will submit unfreeze requests as soon as practical for these vacancies.

A Request for Proposal (RFP) has been written for the development of a new Evidence and Property Information Management System (EPIMS). On June 14, 2012, the RFP was submitted to the City Attorney's Office. With over 1400 technical requirements, the RFP is currently under review by the City Attorney's Office. Upon completion of the review and the Police Commission's approval, the RFP can be released. The Department anticipates that the proposal process, vendor selection and contract negotiations will take up to six months. From this point, a project this complex is estimated to take up to one year for implementation. The early cost estimates for such a system easily exceed one-million dollars for which there is not an identified funding source.

CONCLUSION

The Department will continue to use DNA evidence to solve crimes. The revised procedures for requesting serology/DNA analysis has ensured that each incoming SAEK will be accounted for with a Request for Serology/DNA Analysis report. The Department will continue to work in partnership with other city entities, and victim advocacy groups to develop and improve our work process. The Department will also continue to outsource SAEKs as funding permits, with a continued emphasis on the training of our SDU personnel to increase the "In-House" DNA analysis capability. It is the Department's goal to ensure timely testing of all SAEKs and to reduce our reliance on the outsourcing of DNA analysis.

Attached are the monthly DNA Progress Reports for April, May, and June 2012.

Los Angeles Police Department

Sexual Assault Evidence Kit (SAEK)

Progress Report: June 30, 2012

Category	2011 YTD	2011 June	2012 YTD	2012 June
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SAEK RECEIVED

Total SAEK, Analysis In-Process or Pending a Request for Serology/DNA Analysis (RSDA)	N/A	684	N/A	424
Total SAEK, Booked by LAPD	770	123	649	94

PENDING ANALYSIS REQUEST

Total SAEK-RSDA Pending			26	26
Total SAEK-RSDA Pending, ≥ 30 Days from Booking			17	2

ANALYSIS IN-PROCESS

Total SAEK-Analysis Pending Completion – ALL			N/A	398
Analysis Pending Completion – Internal			N/A	118
Analysis Pending Completion – Outsource	N/A	78	N/A	280

Internal Analysis Initiated – Internal			793	92
Analysis Contracted Out – Outsource	687	136	525	183

Total No. of Days SAEK in Analysis since Request for Serology/DNA Analysis (RSDA)				
Total Backlog: ≥ 90 Days			N/A	38
≥ 120 Days			N/A	7
≥ 150 Days			N/A	0
≥ 180 Days			N/A	0

ANALYSIS COMPLETE

Total SAEK Analysis Completed - ALL	*819	*63	868	113
SAEK Analysis Complete - Internal	26	5	347	30
SAEK Analysis Complete - Outsource	*731	*58	521	83
SAEK Unsuitable for Testing (Cat 4, Suspect Kit, Etc.)	131	18	119	20

SAEK TESTING RESULTS

DNA Profiles Uploaded to CODIS	610	29	496	46
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Total CODIS Hits	411	6	176	0
CODIS Hits – Case to Offender	381	51	176	0
CODIS Hits – Case To Case	12	3	0	0

Notes:

■ Shaded areas were not tabulated, as data was not available from previous year.

* SAEK in 2011 were tabulated as complete, based on a sub-contractor analysis report.

Los Angeles Police Department

Sexual Assault Evidence Kit (SAEK)

Progress Report: May 31, 2012

Category	2011 YTD	2011 May	2012 YTD	2012 May
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SAEK RECEIVED

Total SAEK, Analysis In-Process or Pending a Request for Serology/DNA Analysis (RSDA)	N/A	635	N/A	*454
Total SAEK, Booked by LAPD	524	105	555	109

PENDING ANALYSIS REQUEST

Total SAEK-RSDA Pending			30	30
Total SAEK-RSDA Pending, ≥ 30 Days from Booking			15	3

ANALYSIS IN-PROCESS

Total SAEK-Analysis Pending Completion – ALL			N/A	*424
Analysis Pending Completion – Internal			N/A	*247
Analysis Pending Completion – Outsource	N/A	79	N/A	*177

Internal Analysis Initiated – Internal			695	97
Analysis Contracted Out – Outsource	551	79	337	117

Total No. of Days SAEK in Analysis since Request for Serology/DNA Analysis (RSDA)				
Total Backlog: ≥ 90 Days			N/A	46
≥ 120 Days			N/A	9
≥ 150 Days			N/A	0
≥ 180 Days			N/A	0

ANALYSIS COMPLETE

Total SAEK Analysis Completed - ALL	**756	**85	753	118
SAEK Analysis Complete - Internal	21	1	317	39
SAEK Analysis Complete - Outsource	**673	**84	436	79
SAEK Unsuitable for Testing (Cat 4, Suspect Kit, Etc.)	113	18	99	18

SAEK TESTING RESULTS

DNA Profiles Uploaded to CODIS	581	26	450	83
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Total CODIS Hits	405	50	176	64
CODIS Hits – Case to Offender	379	49	176	64
CODIS Hits – Case To Case	9	1	0	0

Notes:

■ Shaded areas were not tabulated, as data was not available from previous year.

* Includes additional 228 “retest” SAEKs, including 12 SAEKs submitted in May.

** SAEK in 2011 were tabulated as complete, based on a sub-contractor analysis report.

Los Angeles Police Department

Sexual Assault Evidence Kit (SAEK)

Progress Report: April 30, 2012

Category	2011 YTD	2011 April	2012 YTD	2012 April
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SAEK RECEIVED

Total SAEK, Analysis In-Process or Pending a Request for Serology/DNA Analysis (RSDA)	N/A	632	N/A	*441
Total SAEK, Booked by LAPD	419	113	446	110

PENDING ANALYSIS REQUEST

Total SAEK-RSDA Pending			19	19
Total SAEK-RSDA Pending, ≥ 30 Days from Booking			10	0

ANALYSIS IN-PROCESS

Total SAEK-Analysis Pending Completion – ALL			N/A	*422
Analysis Pending Completion – Internal			N/A	*301
Analysis Pending Completion – Outsource	N/A	126	N/A	*138

Internal Analysis Initiated – Internal			591	252
Analysis Contracted Out – Outsource	472	126	215	37

Total No. of Days SAEK in Analysis since Request for Serology/DNA Analysis (RSDA)				
Total Backlog: ≥ 90 Days			N/A	32
≥ 120 Days			N/A	11
≥ 150 Days			N/A	9
≥ 180 Days			N/A	9

ANALYSIS COMPLETE

Total SAEK Analysis Completed - ALL	**671	**59	625	151
SAEK Analysis Complete - Internal	20	15	271	67
SAEK Analysis Complete - Outsource	**589	**44	354	84
SAEK Unsuitable for Testing (Cat 4, Suspect Kit, Etc.)	95	33	81	21

SAEK TESTING RESULTS

DNA Profiles Uploaded to CODIS	555	122	367	67
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Total CODIS Hits	355	71	111	43
CODIS Hits – Case to Offender	330	70	111	43
CODIS Hits – Case To Case	8	1	0	0

Notes:

Shaded areas were not tabulated, as data was not available from previous year.

* Includes SAEK, carried over from 2011 and 216 SAEKs deemed “retest.”

** SAEK in 2011 were tabulated as complete, based on a sub-contractor analysis report.