COMMUNICATION

File No. 10-0555

TO: COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

FROM: COUNCILMEMBER MITCHELL ENGLANDER, CHAIR

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIR AND MEMBER, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE relative to the Los Angeles Police Department's (LAPD) DNA Quarterly Report for the Third Quarter of 2011.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the November 1, 2011 Board of Police Commissioners (Board) report relative to the LAPD's DNA Quarterly Report for the Third Quarter of 2011.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On November 18, 2011, the Chair and one member of the Public Safety Committee considered a November 1, 2011 Board report relative to the LAPD's DNA Quarterly Report for the Third Quarter of 2011. According to the Board, in the LAPD's quarterly reports, the LAPD provides a status update for progress made reducing the backlog of DNA evidence kits for the period from July through September, 2011. All the Sexual Assault Evidence Kits (SAEKs) from the Historical Backlog have been analyzed. The reports detail the number of forensic unknown profiles into the Combined Offender DNA Index System, offender hits, and case-to-case hits. Both reports go on to discuss various other aspects of the Department's efforts to eliminate the backlog of SAEKs, including outsourcing costs, new staff hired and trained, innovations, and other activities.

After consideration, the Committee Chair moved to note and file the November 1, 2011 Board report. This matter is now forwarded to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNCILMEMBER MITCHELL ENGLANDER, CHAIR PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MEMBER VOTE
ENGLANDER: YES
PERRY: ABSENT
KREKORIAN: ABSENT
ZINE: YES

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