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TO: Sheriff Timothy K. Cameron, St. Mary's County, Maryland

SUBJECT: Analysis of Bias Based Profiling - 2020

The following is an analysis for Bias Based Profiling by deputy sheriffs of the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office during the periods of January through December 2020. The Sheriff's Office has an administrative policy regarding Traffic Enforcement specifically covering policies prohibiting Biased Based Traffic Stops which can be found in SMCSO Part B 3.05.02. In accordance with Section 25-113 of the Maryland Transportation Article, the Sheriff's Office has gathered since 2002 specific data elements on Motor Vehicle Stops for entry into Delta Plus to generate statistical reports to the State of Maryland. Data for this report was derived from the Delta Plus software maintained by the Maryland State Police.

In 2020, the Sheriff's Office reported a total of **7,693** traffic stops. Of those, **3,491** traffic stops met the criteria for captured stops. The criteria refers to traffic stops which are based on the deputies' own observations as a reason for the stop and are cleared as "X1" by the deputies. This report does not include traffic stop data originating from the following:

- Radar Enforcement
- LASER Enforcement
- License Plate Readers (LPRs)
- Motor Vehicle Accidents
- Criminal Investigations
- Suspicious Activity

Listed below is the statistical data associated with the **3,491** traffic stops.

The racial breakdown of those stops is as follows:

Race	Number	Percent
American Indian/Alaskan	2	0.06%
Asian	40	1.15%
Black	1,125	32.23%
Hispanic	176	5.04%
Other	40	1.15%
White	2,108	60.38%
Unknown	0	0.00%
Total	3,491	100.00%

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Gender	Number	Percent
Female	1,219	34.92%
Male	2,272	65.08%
Unknown	0	0.00%
Total	3,491	100.00%

County of Residence	Number	Percent
St. Mary's	2,623	75.14%
Other	860	24.63%
Unknown	8	0.23%
Total	3,491	100.00%

Duration of Stop	Number	Percent
0-5 Minutes	2,961	84.82%
6-15 Minutes	452	12.95%
16-30 Minutes	54	1.55%
31-45 Minutes	19	0.54%
46-60 Minutes	5	0.14%
61-75 Minutes	0	0.00%
76-90 Minutes	0	0.00%
91-105 Minutes	0	0.00%
106-120 Minutes	0	0.00%
>120 Minutes	0	0.00%
Unknown	0	0.00%
Total	3,491	100.00%

Traffic Violation/Reason for Stop	Number	Percent
Maryland Traffic Article Section 11	13	0.37%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 12	0	0.00%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 13	390	11.17%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 14	0	0.00%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 15	0	0.00%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 16	71	2.03%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 17	3	0.09%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 18	0	0.00%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 20	27	0.77%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 21	1,686	48.30%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 22	866	24.81%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 23	138	3.95%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 24	1	0.03%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 25	0	0.00%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 26	0	0.00%
Maryland Traffic Article Section 27	0	0.00%
Other	296	8.48%
Unknown	0	0.00%
Total	3,491	100.00%

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Citation Issued	Number	Percent
No	2,671	76.51%
Yes	820	23.49%
Total	3,491	100.00%

Safety Equipment Repair Order (SERO) Issued		
	Number	Percent
No	3,261	93.41%
Yes	230	6.59%
Total	3,491	100.00%

Warning Issued	Number	Percent
No	1,112	31.85%
Yes	2,379	68.15%
Total	3,491	100.00%

Search Conducted	Number	Percent
No	3,391	97.14%
Yes	100	2.86%
Total	3,491	100.00%

Reason for Search	Number	Percent
Consensual	8	8.00%
Exigent Circumstances	1	1.00%
Incident to Arrest	44	44.00%
K-9 Alert	8	8.00%
Other	0	0.00%
Probable Cause	39	39.00%
Unknown	0	0.00%
Total	100	100.00%

Type of Search	Number	Percent
Both Person and Property	49	49.00%
Person	13	13.00%
Property	38	38.00%
Unknown	0	0.00%
Total	100	100.00%

Result of Search	Number	Percent
Contraband Seized	36	36.00%
Property Seized	13	13.00%
Contraband and Property Seized	9	9.00%
Nothing Seized	42	42.00%
Total	100	100.00%

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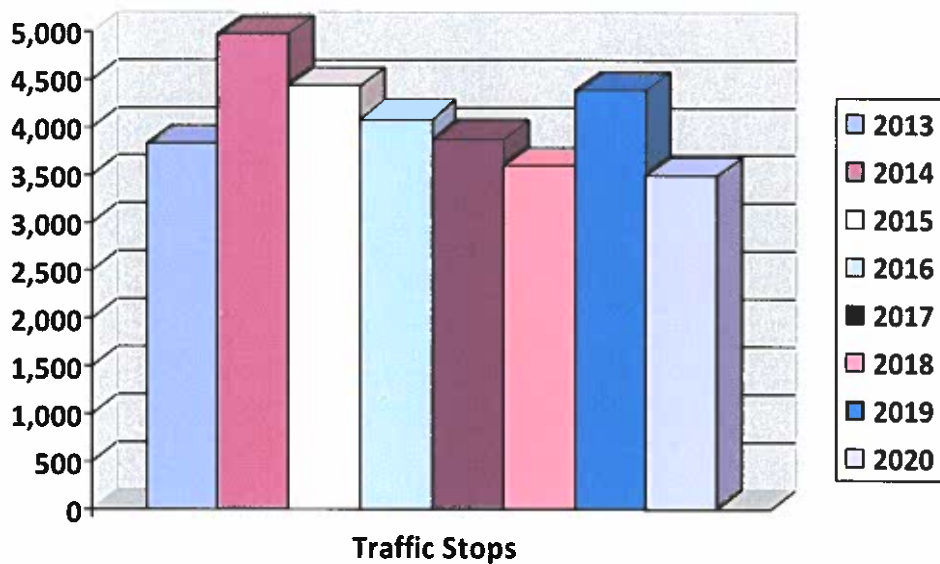
There were 43 arrests. The racial breakdown of those arrests is as follows:

Race of Arrested Driver	Number	Percent
American Indian/Alaskan	0	0.00%
Asian	1	2.33%
Black	12	27.91%
Hispanic	3	6.98%
Other	0	0.00%
White	27	62.79%
Total	43	100.00%

Arrest Reason	Number	Percent
Based on Search	4	9.30%
Based on Stop	18	41.86%
Warrant	3	6.98%
Other	18	41.86%
Total	43	100.00%

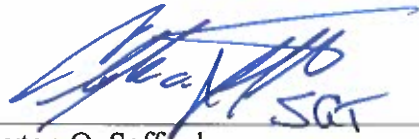
Note: Body Worn Cameras (BWC) and In Car Cameras are being utilized for the above stops.

The following graph illustrates the total number of traffic stops for each year which meet the criteria to capture and report the data:



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Clayton O. Safford
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Office of Professional Responsibilities

Agree

Yes () No, see indorsement.

Major:  Date 2-1-21

Yes () No, see indorsement.

Sheriff:  Date 2-1-21