

LAFAYETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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CALEA COMPLIANT 46.2.6				
SUBJECT: DIGNITARY PROTECTION UNIT				

PURPOSE

This Order establishes the Dignitary Protection Unit.

POLICY

It shall be the policy of the Lafayette Police Department to provide protection for visiting dignitaries while in the City of Lafayette.

DIGNITARY PROTECTION UNIT (CALEA – 46.2.6)

- A. Providing personal protection and security to local and visiting dignitaries shall be the responsibility of the Dignitary Protection Unit.
- B. The designated supervisor shall be responsible for all details concerning dignitary protection.
- C. The advance/intelligence officer shall work within his/her agency, utilizing the Special Weapons and Tactics Team and police employees when necessary. This officer shall contact other agencies to coordinate operations of dignitary protection as needed.
- D. All dignitary protection officers shall be equipped with vehicles, body armor, weapons, radios, etc. Body armor will be made available to the focus subject(s).
- E. The advance officer and other security officers shall plan travel routes and alternate plans to scheduled events.
- F. Advance inspections of scheduled stops and routes will be conducted by the advance officer and security officers.
- G. The advance officer shall be responsible for contacting the hospital, ambulance, or medical facilities in case of an accident or emergency. All officers shall also be aware of the most expeditious and safest route to and from said medical facilities.
- H. All police officers working on a dignitary protection detail shall have constant radio communication with each other, as well as headquarters.
- I. Intelligence officers shall conduct intelligence gathering concerning threats or violence toward the focus subject(s). This information shall be made available to all dignitary security officers.
- J. All security officers shall be identified by a specific item, such as lapel pin or other identifying item when working a dignitary protection detail.
- K. After a security detail is completed, an intelligence report shall be entered into the Special Investigations Unit's computer database.

- L. An officer of the Dignitary Protection Unit shall attend all City – Parish Council meetings in order to provide security for Council members, the City – Parish President and other dignitaries.
- M. The supervisor of the Dignitary Protection Unit is the liaison officer with the U.S. Secret Service on any assignment that requires planning or coordination with that agency.
- N. Unless otherwise directed by the Chief of Police, the Dignitary Protection Unit supervisor shall notify the Command Staff when performing a dignitary protection detail.

CHAIN OF COMMAND

- A. The designated Dignitary Protection Unit supervisor will be in charge of the Unit's operation during any detail.
- B. The Unit falls under the direction and command of the Chief of Police or his designee.
- C. Assignment to the Dignitary Protection Unit shall be made by the Chief of Police based upon recommendations from the Unit's supervisor.


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