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## NEWS RELEASE

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Acting Police Chief John Cappiello has preferred departmental charges against Officer Devin Eaton and has recommended that the Hamden Board of Police Commissioners terminate his employment. The charges and recommendation stem from Officer Eaton's actions on April 16, 2019, when he discharged his service weapon thirteen (13) times at an unarmed couple in New Haven.

Eaton, who is currently on unpaid administrative leave (will remain so until the resolution of this case), has also been charged criminally in connection with the incident.

The departmental charges were issued on Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup> and served personally on Officer Eaton on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. The charges were conveyed to the Board of Police Commissioners, with a letter that was delivered today, November 19<sup>th</sup>, to Chairman Michael Iezzi.

Copies of the charging document and letter to Chairman Iezzi will be made available with this press release and in response to requests under the Freedom of Information Act.