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Trevor Naughton:

The enclosed is the current policy of this department concerning use of force. There are no incidents to report on the other request.

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SECTION XIX

Duties Regarding Prisoners' Rights and Protection of Prisoners

Prisoners shall be protected in their rights, given humane treatment, and no verbal abuse or unnecessary physical violence shall be directed against them.

No officer shall willfully mistreat or use unnecessary violence toward any person.

Officers of this department shall use only such force as is necessary in effecting an arrest.

No officer of this department shall shoot at any person except under circumstances which would permit him to take a human life under the justifiable homicide statutes of the State of Texas.