

UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE
REPORT

PD 370-152 (Rev. 01-15)

05/15/19

(Date)

FROM: Patrol Supervisor 10th PCT.

TO: CHIEF OF PATROL

SUBJECT: HELICOPTER CRASH NO INJURIES, IN THE CONFINES OF THE 10TH PRECINCT

DETAILS: (When, Where, Who, What, How, Why)

1. On Wednesday May 15, 2019 at approximately 1426 hours, the undersigned responded to a "10-66 Unusual Incident" regarding a Helicopter Crash via Communications Division at 29th Street and 12th Avenue. The details are as follows:

2. On Wednesday May 15, 2019 at approximately 1426 hours 10th Precinct Sector C consisting of Police Officer Thompson Tax# [REDACTED] and Police Officer Moss Tax# [REDACTED] did respond to the aforementioned "10-66 Unusual Incident" regarding a Helicopter Crash. Upon arrival, the officers confirmed a helicopter had crashed into The Hudson River at 30th Street and the pilot was the only occupant on board. Upon the officer's arrival, the one occupant was out of the water was currently being evaluated by EMS. Lieutenant Muir Tax# [REDACTED] and Sergeant Alleva Tax# [REDACTED] were on scene with the officers and securing the scene, setting up a perimeter at 29th Street and 12th Avenue and clearing traffic for EMS and FDNY to respond. 10th Precinct Response Auto 3 consisting of PO Nesdill Tax# [REDACTED] and PO Bieber Tax# [REDACTED] responded to the scene and began assisting in diverting traffic on 12th Avenue.

3. The undersigned, along with 10 Platoon Commander Lieutenant Schillinger Tax# [REDACTED] and 10th Precinct Sector B consisting of PO Poon Tax# [REDACTED] and PO Collins Tax# [REDACTED] met Eric Morales (M/W/35 DOB: [REDACTED]), the pilot of the helicopter, after he had been evaluated by EMS. Eric Morales is a pilot with Zip Aviation. Mr. Morales stated that he was coming from refueling at JFK Airport when he had misjudged the landing at the heliport located at 30th Street and The Hudson River. The helicopter he was operating, a 406 Long Ranger Tail# N26BB LLC# [REDACTED], had hit the wall of the heliport when it spun out of control, approximately three (3) times and crashed into the water. Floating devices on the helicopter had activated immediately and the helicopter was floating above water in the Hudson River, at 30th Street. The pilot, Eric Morales, was the only person on board of the helicopter. Mr. Morales put on his life vest and was able to walk off the helicopter and onto a ferry, never having to go into the water himself. Mr. Morales was evaluated by EMS and suffered a laceration to his left middle finger on left hand with no other injuries. During the preliminary investigation, there appears to be no criminality.

4. Submitted for your information.

OTHER ACTIONS TAKEN OR RECOMMENDED:

COMPLAINANT/AIDED NAME	ADDRESS	SEX	RACE	AGE	INJURY (treat/rel/adm)	HOSP.
Eric Morales, DOB: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] Mendham, NJ 07945	M	W	35	Laceration to left middle finger on left hand. RMA	

ARRESTED/WANTED NAME	ADDRESS	SEX	RACE	AGE	CHARGES
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

PRESENT AT SCENE			NOTIFICATIONS			FORMS PREPARED	DISTRIB.
Rank	Name	Cmd. Assign.	Rank	Name	Cmd. Assign.	Serial No.	
Deputy Commissioner	Miller	Intel and Counterterrorism	Captain	Camilo	CO/DC	Complaint No.	COP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Deputy Commissioner of Operations	McCarton	OEM	Det.	DeJesus	OPER		COD <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Assistant Chief	Hughes	PBMS	PO	Galvano	BORO	Aided No.	DCPI <input type="checkbox"/>
Deputy Chief	Kehoe	PBMS	Det.	Riley	DCPI	736	BORO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Deputy Chief	McCarthy	PBMS			CSU	Collision No.	DIV. <input type="checkbox"/>
Deputy Chief	Lukach	Special Operations	PO	Frappler	INRU		PCT. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Inspector	Russo	Harbor				Voucher No.	FILE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Captain	Camilo	10 Executive Officer					OTHER <input type="checkbox"/>
Captain	Giordano	ESU	(IF APPLICABLE)			ICAD Incident No.	
PO	Rodgers	10 PDU			HB	D19051516059	
PO	Zambianchi	TARU			TB		

Attach Copy of ICAD Event Information Printout (If Appropriate). Use Reverse Side For Additional Information

PREPARED BY: Rank Name
(typed) Sgt. DeMarino Command
10th Precinct

SIGNATURE:

Sgt. [REDACTED]