



MIAMI BEACH

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
NO. LTC # 096-2007

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor David Dermer and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE: April 12, 2007

SUBJECT: Miami Beach Police Department Case #2007-13979

This Letter To The Commission is to inform the Mayor and City Commission of Miami Beach of the status of a complaint from a Mr. Bill Cooke regarding a lack of action on the part of Miami Beach Police Department police officers while investigating a simple battery allegation.

On April 8, 2007, Mr. Cooke claims he was a victim of a battery that took place on the beach at 20th Street. Mr. Cooke sustained no injury and the subject had left the scene prior to the officers arriving to investigate this matter. As a result of the preliminary investigation the incident was documented and no arrests were made.

Mr. Cooke advised in an email of April 8th that the officers were courteous and professional but felt they could have taken more action. When Mr. Cooke's complaint came to the attention of the Miami Beach Police Department it was assigned to Lieutenant Richard Gullage for supervisory investigation. On April 10, Lieutenant Gullage spoke to Mr. Cooke and advised him why the officers could not affect a lawful arrest under the circumstances.

This explanation resolved the matter to Mr. Cook's satisfaction and is noted in the attached email. No further action is warranted in this matter.

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Subject: FW: Re Miami Beach police case #2007-13979

From: Bill Cooke [mailto:newshawk50@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 12, 2007 11:58
To: Gullage, Richard; Hernandez, Robert
Subject: Re Miami Beach police case #2007-13979

Lt Gullage

This e-mail confirms our telephone conversation earlier today.

You have investigated and resolved my concerns re the above named case number to my satisfaction.

Thanks for your dilligence and prompt respnse.

Bill Cooke

04/18/2007