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NO ORDINARY "TRANSPARENT"? HAD, KNEW CONNECTIONS FROM A WELL TO DO FAMILY? LAW SUIT? LEAK? EX. COP, EX HIGH GOVT OFFICIAL? PREP

Cop resigns after investigations

GOT CAUGHT

'Disturbing' video captures use of excessive force

IGNORES KNIFE ASULT

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ON THE INTERNET PROOF?

PANAMA CITY BEACH
John Paul Kimbro was falsely arrested, then put in a headlock, slammed into a wall and punched by a Panama

WHAT INSINUITIVES TO

ANY LEGITIMATE REASON THAT WOULD ALARM AVERAGE PERSON OF NORMAL SENSIBILITIES TERRY VS. OHIO TO ID "TRANSPARENT"

City Beach sergeant when he refused to cooperate with officers, Beach police officials said Friday.

An investigation by Beach police, initiated after Kimbro filed a complaint, resulted in the sergeant's resignation, another officer's reprimand and a suspension for the supervising sergeant, according to Beach police officials.

A video of the Aug. 3 incident in the booking room at the Panama City Beach Police

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Department shows Sgt. Jimmy Warr slamming Kimbro into a wall, putting him in a headlock on the ground and striking him twice. Although Kimbro appears not to move, cooperate or fight Warr on the tape, Warr told officers Kimbro struck him in the groin.

"The tape is certainly disturbing," said Maj. David Humphreys, calling the officers' behavior "unacceptable."

Kimbro, 37, was arrested after failing to produce

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identification or tell Officer Kenneth Stanley his name. Stanley wrote in an incident report. Stanley found no illegal substances or weapons on Kimbro and did not have legal justification to arrest him, Humphreys said.

"It appears obvious to us that the arrest was not legally proper," he added.

After the altercation in the booking room, Kimbro was

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AVOID DEATH THREAT NO INTREST?

FORCED
VIDEO: 'The matter was investigated ... and now has

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POISONED ATTITUDE?
taken to the Bay County jail, where he was pepper-sprayed by guards when he again refused to cooperate, according to documents provided by Beach officials.

Warr resigned over the matter after he was suspended for five days, and Sgt. Jason Jones was suspended without pay for one day, Beach officials said. A letter of reprimand was filed against Stanley, who was the arresting officer. Jones was the supervisor in charge at the time of the incident.

Kimbro was released from jail shortly after he filed a complaint Aug. 19. Humphreys said after Beach officials received word of the complaint, they investigated the matter and found Kimbro should

(not have been arrested.) Officials sent a letter to the State Attorney's Office to secure Kimbro's release. Humphreys said.

SCARED
Kimbro (a transient) declined to press charges, Beach investigators said, and left. His current whereabouts are unknown. **WERE LAZY**

"The matter was investigated and examined and now has been resolved," said Warr's attorney, Harry Harper.

COP SHOP ANY?
BOOM CAR STREET RACER
INVESTIGATION ATTY
FORCED INVESTIGATION

An internal investigation was conducted into the actions of all three officers involved in the incident, and all were found to be in violation of the department's code of conduct.

Humphreys wrote an Aug. 26 letter to Chief Robert

QUICKER COVER UPER?
Harding about the conduct of each of the officers involved.

He wrote that although Stanley did call a supervisor about the matter, he called the supervisor he preferred instead of the appropriate supervisor. Humphreys added that "any recruit fresh out of training" would have known the arrest was improper.

FORGET SCHOOLING?
Stanley was found guilty of disobeying orders and neglect of duty.

Jones was found guilty of neglect of duty; he failed to recognize the arrest was improper, Humphreys wrote.

ON WELL CONNECTED
Warr also was found guilty of neglect of duty, Humphreys wrote. Warr also should have known the arrest was improper.

Furthermore, his conduct in the jail/booking room was unprofessional

AGREED BUYING?
CONCENT DECREE,
been resolved'

and totally unacceptable at best," Humphreys wrote of Warr.

Humphreys also noted Warr's prior problems in the department. In June 2006, Warr was demoted and found guilty of conduct unbecoming an officer and neglect of duty for failing to properly deal with a sergeant with whom he had a professional disagreement.

Humphreys said officers on duty will make mistakes from time to time, but supervisors are expected to discover and fix those mistakes.

He described the supervisor work during the Kimbro incident as "broken." **BY CRYSTAL BALL?**

However, the department is not pursuing criminal charges against any of the officers or asking state officials to review their law enforcement credentials, Humphreys said.

COPS RUN STATE REPS?

WHO

OFFICIAL MANUAL, OR DAMAGE CONTROL?