

CITY OF CORAL GABLES

- MEMORANDUM -

TO: ASSISTANT CHIEF M. MILLER
AWARDS SELECTION COMMITTEE

DATE: October 28, 2016

FROM: LT. CORDELL ATHERLEY I.D. 7000
UNIFORM PATROL DIVISION

SUBJECT:
NOMINATION: OFFICER OF
THE MONTH - OFC.
JONATHAN CLOUD

I respectfully request to nominate Officer Jonathan Cloud for the distinguish award, *Officer of the Month*, based on his actions on the following *Aggravated Assault with a Firearm* case # 16-008014.

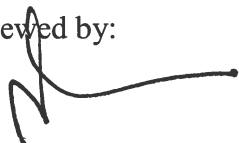
On Friday October 21st, 2016 at approximately 15:22hrs, CGPD communications operators received a call of a possible hostage situation inside the lobby of the Chase Bank located at 1570 S. Dixie Hwy. The information received was that a male subject was armed with a handgun and was holding individuals inside the bank lobby hostage. As officers were being dispatched to the bank location to take perimeter points around the bank, Officer Cloud arrived wearing his SWAT vest and carrying his rifle.

Upon arriving at the bank, Officer Cloud immediately identified the most critical point of the perimeter, and he took a position on the northeast corner of the bank. (Adjacent to the front lobby door) Backed up by Officer Hammann, Officer Cloud observed a male exiting the bank lobby, but quickly vetted the male as not being involved in the incident. With the bank's front lobby door being held opened by the negated male, Officer Cloud now had an unobstructed view of the interior of the bank's lobby. Instantly, Officer Cloud observed a male sitting inside the bank lobby and simultaneously a bank employee motioned to Officer Cloud that the male was indeed the armed subject. Observing that the subject's hands were occupied with a cell phone and being that the subject was in a seated position, Officer Cloud seized the tactical advantage and swiftly entered the bank lobby. In a matter of seconds, Officer Cloud had the male subject at gun point. A pat-down and search of the subject revealed a handgun inside the pocket of the subject's jacket.

Further investigation of the bank hostage incident revealed that the subject, (a convicted felon/registered career criminal/gang member) had visited the bank's parking lot attendant to confront him reference a possible romantic relationship that the parking attendant was having with the subject's girl-friend. During the encounter in the parking lot, the subject brandished a handgun at the victim. In fear for his life, the parking lot attendant went into the bank's lobby to seek help from someone. Being followed by the subject into the bank lobby, the parking attendant wrote a note to a teller advising that he, the parking attendant, was being held hostage. The bank management then called CGPD for assistance.

Based on Officer Cloud's rapid response and excellent skill set as a SWAT Operator, he was able to apprehend this convicted felon/registered career criminal/gang member. Therefore, it is with the utmost respect and gratitude that I nominate and recommend Officer Jonathan Cloud for the distinguished award of "Officer of the Month."

Reviewed by:



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Major Raul Pedrosa
UPD Commander

Date

10/31/16



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ASC Chairperson

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