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Miami Police Department Cleared by FDLE of Allegations Made by FOP Against Its Own Members

The Miami Police Department has received the report by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement of the criminal investigation they conducted over the past year and a half. This investigation was initiated as a result of allegations made by Fraternal Order of Police President Armando Aguilar that his members were intentionally downgrading crime; a criminal offense.

The report's finding states that there was no attempt by the Miami Police Department or its members to downgrade crime, neither intentionally nor implicitly.

The report concludes:

“We found, based on available information as of this report, that there was no evidence that would indicate that there was an intentional systematic effort or an intentional scheme by members of Chief Timoney’s command staff to give any direct or otherwise implied orders for crime statistics to be manipulated in favor of a lower UCR Crimes Report, to include the Chief of Police.”

This is in direct contradiction to the allegations made by the FOP.

Over a year ago, the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s Criminal Justice Information Services Division conducted an audit in reference to the same allegations by the Fop President. This report concluded that we were 99.5% in compliance, and as a result no recommendations for improvement were issued by them.

Today the FDLE report further confirms the FBI’s findings.

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