



PCCEP Recommendation

Cover Letter

As Approved June 7, 2020

MEMBERS IN FAVOR

Unanimous

PCCEP Recommendation to Ban the Use of Chemical Weapons, Aerial Distraction Devices, and Noise devices against Demonstrators in Portland.

As Police Commissioner, I prohibited the use of CS gas by the Portland Police Bureau in crowd management on September 10, 2020. Prior to this ban, I prohibited the Portland Police Bureau from using Long Range Acoustic Devices (LRADs) as a sonic warning function, while preserving their use for sharing information with the public. Barring any additional restrictions, PPB will continue to have access to munitions, generally, because their elimination would limit dispersal options for unlawful actions, and ultimately decrease safety for PPB members and protestors. Munitions are only used at the direction of a crowd management incident commander, and their use is strictly governed by training, PPB directives, and an extensive internal review.

Adopted IN PART:

10/19/2020

Mayor Wheeler

Date



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