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**NBPD Releases In-Car Video of October 2014 Shooting**

New Braunfels, Texas — On October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014, New Braunfels Police officers responded to a domestic disturbance call that possibly involved a weapon. Officers arrived in the 1800 block of Stonewall and discovered Richard Cantu Vasquez standing outside of a home, but as the officer approached, Vasquez fled on foot. While fleeing, Vasquez fired 3 shots from a handgun in the direction of the officer, all of which was caught on video by the officer's in-car camera.

No one was injured in the shooting, and Vasquez was later apprehended, indicted, and eventually convicted by a Comal County jury. He was sentenced to serve 30 years in prison for Attempted Capital Murder of a Police Officer, and sentenced to 15 years in prison for Aggravated Assault against a Public Servant, with the sentences to be served concurrently. Because of the use of a deadly weapon, he will have to serve at least half of that sentence before becoming eligible for parole.

Now that the case has been fully adjudicated, the New Braunfels Police Department can release the in-car camera video of the incident. The video demonstrates the daily dangers our police officers face, and how quickly and unexpectedly a situation can escalate.

{Photo of Vasquez attached}

{To access video, log on to: <https://youtu.be/8BsEpGKyaBk>}

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