



# HANOVER POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Ms. Sabrina Conza  
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Dear Ms. Conza:

In response to your letter, Hanover Police did not make a recommendation to Dartmouth College regarding the January 20<sup>th</sup> event. I relayed to the College that I believe the information and concerns we had received from student organizers, event organizers, the speaker, open-source information available online referencing the event, and information through law enforcement channels was credible and caused us concern for the safety of those attending the event, protesting the event, as well as our community members. Information we received and copies of documents/emails you requested under the Right to Know law are being sent to you per our email to you dated January 28, 2022.

With the information we had, we were operationally prepared as best we could to handle the event and protest. During our operations briefing at approximately 4:52 PM, we were notified by Dartmouth Safety and Security, that the College decided to cancel the in-person event and move it to a virtual platform.

At that time, we were not provided with a reason or reasons for Dartmouth's decision to transition to a virtual platform and that decision did not significantly change our operational plans, resources, and readiness for the event.

Sincerely,

Charles B. Dennis  
Chief of Police