

CITY OF MIAMI BEACH

TO: Rob Parkins, City Manager
Via Ernie Barham, Personnel Director

DATE: April 24, 1989

FROM: Ken Glassman
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF OFFICER ROBERT HUNDEVADT

I hereby request the suspension of City of Miami Beach employee Robert Hundevadt for the period of two weeks, eight (8) ten hour days. This request is based on the following:

- o On June 29, 1988, during a police investigation a Latin male by the name of Pedro Rodriguez was being sought by the City of Miami Beach Criminal Investigation Unit. On July 5, 1988, Lt. Steve Robbins received information that a City of Miami Beach employee, Rosie Stoller, was a friend of Pedro Rodriguez.
- o On July 14, 1988, Sgt. Matthews interviewed Rosie Stoller in an attempt to gain information leading to the arrest of Mr. Rodriguez. According to Ms. Stoller, Officer Hundevadt and his wife Bertha Hundevadt were also friends of Pedro and his wife Cynthia. Ms. Stoller advised the Hundevadt's consumed cocaine at the Rodriguez's home between the years 1982 and 1984 on social occasions. This information was verified by Ms. Stoller in a sworn statement to the Miami Beach Internal Affairs Office on July 20, 1988.
- o On July 20, 1988, in an interview with Sgt. Matthews, Bertha Hundevadt admitted that she and her husband Robert consumed cocaine on several occasions with the Rodriguez's. Robert Hundevadt's usage according to his wife was just to socialize with her on the weekends.
- o On July 20, 1988, while waiting for his wife to finish her interview with Sgt. Matthews, Officer Robert Hundevadt confided in Lt. Robbins that he imbibed in cocaine. On July 20, 1988, Officer Robert Hundevadt admitted to Sgt. Matthews and again to Lt. Robbins that he consumed cocaine with the Rodriguez's on several occasions. The Hundevadt's usage of the drug ceased more than two (2) years ago.
- o On March 30, 1989, the Miami Beach Internal Affairs Unit concluded its investigation. Due to Rosie Stoller's statements, Bertha Hundevadt's statements and Officer Robert Hundevadt's admission to Sgt. Matthews and Lt. Robbins, the Internal Affairs Office substantiated the following allegation. Between the years 1982-1984, Officer Robert Hundevadt consumed cocaine during several parties hosted by the Rodriguez's.

Officer Robert Hundevadt was in violation of the City of Miami Beach Personnel Rules, Rule X, Section 2 (b-3) - has been guilty of conduct unbecoming an employee of the City.

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BEACH OFFICER TIED TO PERJURY OVER COCAINE USE

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Two misdemeanor perjury charges have been filed against a Miami Beach police officer who allegedly lied to internal department investigators about using cocaine.

According to Beach police documents, Robert **Hundevadt** told two officers in 1988 that he had used cocaine with Pedro Rodriguez, convicted of first-degree murder last year in the 1988 killing of Beach officer Scott Rakow.

The two charges were filed against **Hundevadt** because he denied using the drug when questioned in 1988 by a Beach internal affairs investigator, Assistant State Attorney Joe Centorino said Tuesday. The charges were filed in mid-January, Centorino said.

Hundevadt had already been suspended from the department for two weeks in 1989 after admitting to fellow officers that he had used cocaine, records show.

Hundevadt referred all questions to his attorney, Douglas Hartman, who said Friday his client has not yet been subpoenaed to appear in court.

"He clearly believes that he is not guilty, that he has not committed any perjury, and he is going to fight it to the end," Hartman said.

Miami Beach Police Chief Phillip Huber said the department has reported the charges to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and reassigned **Hundevadt** to desk duty, instead of suspending the officer with pay.

"We think that is appropriate, pending results or adjudication of the case," Huber said. "We're withholding any further decisions until we see what happens in court."

-- AARON S. RUBIN