

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
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 V.)
) Mag. Judge No. 11m-5007-JGD
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CHRISTIAN GREEN)

AFFIDAVIT OF MANUEL BLAS

1. I am a police officer employed by the Boston Police Department. I am submitting this affidavit in support of the government's motion that **CHRISTIAN GREEN** be detained pending trial.

2. I am aware that **GREEN** has been named in a criminal complaint charging him with being a felon-in-possession of a firearm. I have also reviewed portions of a video which depict **GREEN**, **JEFFREY MEDINA**, **SHERWIN GARCIA**, and a fourth man using one or more handguns and a rifle to take target practice at a shooting range in Salisbury, Massachusetts on December 22, 2010.¹ As a police officer who regularly works in the Jamaica Plain section of Boston, it was disconcerting to watch these three men, each of whom has a criminal record that includes firearm charges or convictions, each of whom was on probation at the time of the December 22 incident, and each of whom I believe to be

¹ I know the fourth man shown in the video to be **EUDY VICTORINO**. Unlike the three men he was with, **VICTORINO** does not have a felony conviction.

associated with a violent Boston street gang operating out of the area around Mozart Street in Jamaica Plain, to be trying to improve their marksmanship by using weapons at a public firing range in violation of federal law.²

3. I joined the Boston Police Department in 2001. Upon graduating from the police academy, I was assigned to District E-13 which covers the Jamaica Plain section of Boston.

4. Approximately sixteen months later, I moved to plain-clothes duty as a member of an anti-crime car (also in District E-13). In this capacity, I was regularly involved in the investigation and identification of area gangs and gang associates.

5. In 2005, I transferred to the Youth Violence Strike Force, formerly known as the Gang Unit, where I continue to work as of this day ("YVSF"). Although the YVSF is a city-wide unit, my work over the last five years has continued to focus on Jamaica Plain. My work at the YVSF is of course also gang-related.

6. In the course of my duties over the last decade, I have

² I am advised that **GREEN** is the only person who has been charged with a federal firearms charge at this time and that GARCIA and MEDINA are currently in state custody on probation violations that I understand to have arisen out of the December 22 incident at issue here. At such time that MEDINA or GARCIA are charged with federal firearms cases and are subject to a detention hearing, I stand ready to provide additional information with respect to them if requested.

been involved in the arrest and interrogation of numerous gang associates including many from Jamaica Plain. I have participated in investigative and community-based efforts aimed at reducing gang violence. I have spoken with and learned about gang activity and practices from other officers and have participated in meetings where gang-related intelligence is shared and discussed. I have personally spoken with self-admitted gang associates and gained insight into the inner workings of street gangs including those operating in Jamaica Plain. I have interviewed confidential informants who have provided details of the practices, conflicts, and violent acts of area street gangs including those known as Mozart Street and Boylston Street. I have also regularly reviewed reports about gang-related arrests and talked to victims of gang-related violence.

7. As a result of this work, I have gained knowledge about activities of street gangs operating in District E-13. Based on all of this work, I have also come to learn that much of the gang-related violence in this District centers around two gangs known as Mozart Street and Boylston Street and the longstanding dispute between them.³

³ I believe that the information in this affidavit, including information set forth about the organization and activities of the Mozart Street gang and its associates, is reliable because, among other things, it has been provided by multiple sources or otherwise corroborated. The information set forth in this affidavit is not, however, everything that I and other officers in the Boston Police Department have learned about

8. The Mozart Street gang operates out of Jamaica Plain. There are dozens of Mozart associates who include individuals of varied ages (from teenagers to middle-aged men). Many are of Dominican descent.

9. Mozart associates frequently wear Minnesota Twins garb (often, but not always, red and blue) or other clothing emblazoned with an "M." Mozart Street associates are often known to flash gang signs with their hands that form an "M" including signs using the middle three fingers of a hand or with two hands using the first two fingers of each hand. Mozart Street Associates sometimes also wear jewelry or other items emblazoned with the term "JP Inc." Pictures of Mozart gang signs being flashed by Mozart Associates **CHRISTIAN GREEN**, **SHERWIN GARCIA**, and **JEFFREY MEDINA**, an example of the type of Mozart "M" often worn on the street, and of the "J.P., Inc." jewelry mentioned above are attached as Exhibits 1-5 and 7.

10. Many Mozart Associates derive income from street level distribution of marijuana or other illegal drugs and/or firearms. The photograph attached as Exhibit 6 includes a group of Mozart associates wearing gang garb, flashing hand signs and displaying what looks like a firearm. I know the individual holding the gun

Mozart Street and its associates. Hence, this affidavit merely includes information I believe to be relevant to detention issues with respect to **CHRISTIAN GREEN**.

to be suspected Mozart associate ALEX VALDEZ. I have seen **CHRISTIAN GREEN** out with VALDEZ, am aware that they have been FIO'd together, and am also aware that they were arrested together on November 7, 2010 after leading police on a high speed chase, after which the police recovered a firearm along the path of flight. VALDEZ can also be seen standing behind **CHRISTIAN GREEN** in the photograph attached as Exhibit 1.

11. Based on my longstanding work in this area, I believe that Mozart associates have also been involved in robberies, thefts, and other crimes to include many firearms offenses. As set forth below, both JEFFREY MEDINA and SHERWIN GARCIA have a firearm conviction and **GREEN** has been both charged with a firearms offense and has been involved in other incidents in which a gun was allegedly involved or recovered. Cases against Mozart associates have had to be dismissed when victims or other witnesses refused to testify, included instances that occurred shortly before trial.

12. Concerted activity by Mozart Associates stems from, among other things, their longstanding rivalry with associates from Boylston Street, another area gang.⁴ Mozart associates engage in acts of violence aimed at Boylston associates and

⁴ Boylston Street associates have been known to wear clothing that includes emblems such as that shown on Exhibit 7 mocking Mozart Street.

devote internal activities around homage paid to Mozart associates who have died in what is believed to be earlier gang-related violence. Photographs reflecting activities dedicated to the memories of ALAN PEGUERO and GARIVALDIS PENA (two Mozart Associates who were homicide victims) are attached as Exhibit 8 and 9. JEFFREY MEDINA is in the picture taken at Peguero's memorial and CHRISTIAN GREEN was FIO'd with Peguero several months before PEGUERO's death by shooting on September 4, 2007.

13. Based on the foregoing, it would be expected that the Mozart and Boylston Street areas would be the focus of a large amount of reported crime. Even though these groups do not limit their activities to these areas, I believe this to be so based on my work in this area.

14. Analysts at the Boston Regional Intelligence Center attempt to identify shootings in Boston that appear to be gang-related. The research is based upon street level intelligence, witness statements and information received from Boston Police Officers and other law enforcement agencies.

15. The information generated about the dispute between Boylston and Mozart (particularly in 2010) is staggering. For example, between July 1 and December 31, 2010, I am advised that BRIC analysts concluded that as many as 10 men with ties to Boylston or Mozart Street have been shot and others have been stabbed or attacked and that violence involving these two groups (based on its timing, victims, or location) has continued.

Relevant incidents include the following:

- A. 12/30/10-suspected Boylston Street associate VLADIMIR VALDERAMMA non-fatally stabbed in the area of 1125 Tremont Street.
- B. 12/22/10-during state court proceedings on JONATHAN LEON's firearms case, a group of suspected Boylston Street Associates who were in the courthouse became disruptive and attempted to intimidate court officers.
- C. 12/7/10-Police receive call for shots fired at 1:40 a.m. in the area of 225 Centre Street.
- D. 12/2/10-KENNETH DOUGLAS slashed twice after being asked if he was "Mozart" while at Jackson Square T Station.
- E. 11/27/10-BRYAN JOSE TIRADO-SANTIAGO arrested on Mozart Street carrying a 10-inch knife and marijuana.
- F. 11/21/10-Quadruple shooting/homicide at 662 Centre Street; several victims have ties to Boylston and Mozart.
- G. 11/16/10-Firearm recovered at 111 Chesnut Avenue.
- H. 11/16/10-Shots fired at 495 Walnut Street.
- I. 11/10/10-Suspected Mozart associate AMIN MARTE shot and killed in the Dominican Republic.⁵
- J. 11/7/10-Officers attempt to stop car bearing MA Reg 327MF9 in the area of Howard Street. After high speed chase and foot chase after occupants left vehicle, officers arrest suspected Mozart associates **CHRISTIAN GREEN** and **ALEX VALDEZ**. Firearm recovered in area where vehicle had traveled.
- K. 10/31/10-Officers respond to call for a man with a gun. Arrest suspected Mozart Street associate **ALEX VALDEZ** with a spring-loaded knife and marijuana.

⁵ BPD reports indicate that **GREEN** was arrested with **MARTE** in 2004 and was identified as being involved in a shooting with **MARTE** in 2007.

- L. 10/23/10-LUIS TORRES killed at 205 Boylston Street. Second suspected Boylston associate wounded in shooting.
- M. 10/20/10-Suspected Boylston associate ANDY COLON stabbed in the area of 190 Amory Street in Jamaica Plain.
- N. 10/19/10-Call for shots fired Boylston Street and Brookside Ave.
- O. 10/16/10-JUAN JIMENEZ shot while sitting inside his car at 218 Huntington Ave. Even if not a Boyslton associate, JIMENEZ is believed to have social and other ties in the area.
- P. 9/10/10-suspected Boylston associate ONASI MEDINA shot at 1029 Tremont Street. Medina's brother arrested nearby on a firearm violation.
- Q. 9/9/10-car belonging to suspected Mozart associate ANTHONY ZAYAS vandalized on the Arborway. "F**K Mozart" spray painted on car.⁶
- R. 8/27/10-suspected Boylston Associate JONATHAN LEON arrested on firearm charges after gun is recovered from his residence.
- S. 8/21/10-Report of shots fired at Mozart Park.
- T. 8/15/10-quadruple shooting at 3151 Washington Street believed to be associated with ongoing Mozart/Boylston dispute.
- U. 8/15/10-fight at Dominican Festival between groups associated with Mozart and Boylston; JEFFERY MEDINA among those arrested.
- V. 7/25/10-suspected Mozart associate RAYMOND NUNEZ shot in the area of 340 Centre Street in Jamaica Plain.

I am aware that such incidents frequently result in innocent third parties (people who appeared to be unintended targets)

⁶ CHRISTIAN GREEN was FIO'd with ZAYAS in 2006.

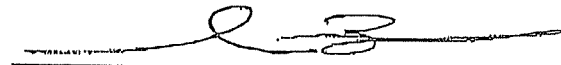
being shot.

16. Moreover, the violence in this area continues notwithstanding law enforcement's ongoing efforts to bring it to closure. Most recently, I am advised that there was a verbal confrontation between Mozart and Boylston associates who happened to be in the West Roxbury Probation office simultaneously on February 2, 2011.

17. I am familiar with **CHRISTIAN GREEN**, **JEFFREY MEDINA**, and **SHERWIN GARCIA** and believe that each of them is associated with the Mozart Street gang. I base this on my personal interactions with them, where I have seen them, who they were with and their criminal histories. I also rely on the photographs attached to this affidavit which show them in the company of other Mozart associates flashing what I believe to be gang signs. Based on their gang affiliation, their prior involvement with firearms, and the pattern of recent acts of violence (including shootings and stabbings) suspected to have been associated with the ongoing war between Boylston and Mozart, I believe that their appearance at the shooting range on December 22 was intended to increase their firearm proficiency for illegal purposes rather than for any sporting or recreational reason. The fact that they used the range while on probation and after signing an agreement that specifically reminded them that to do so after a felony conviction is a violation of federal law is further indication of

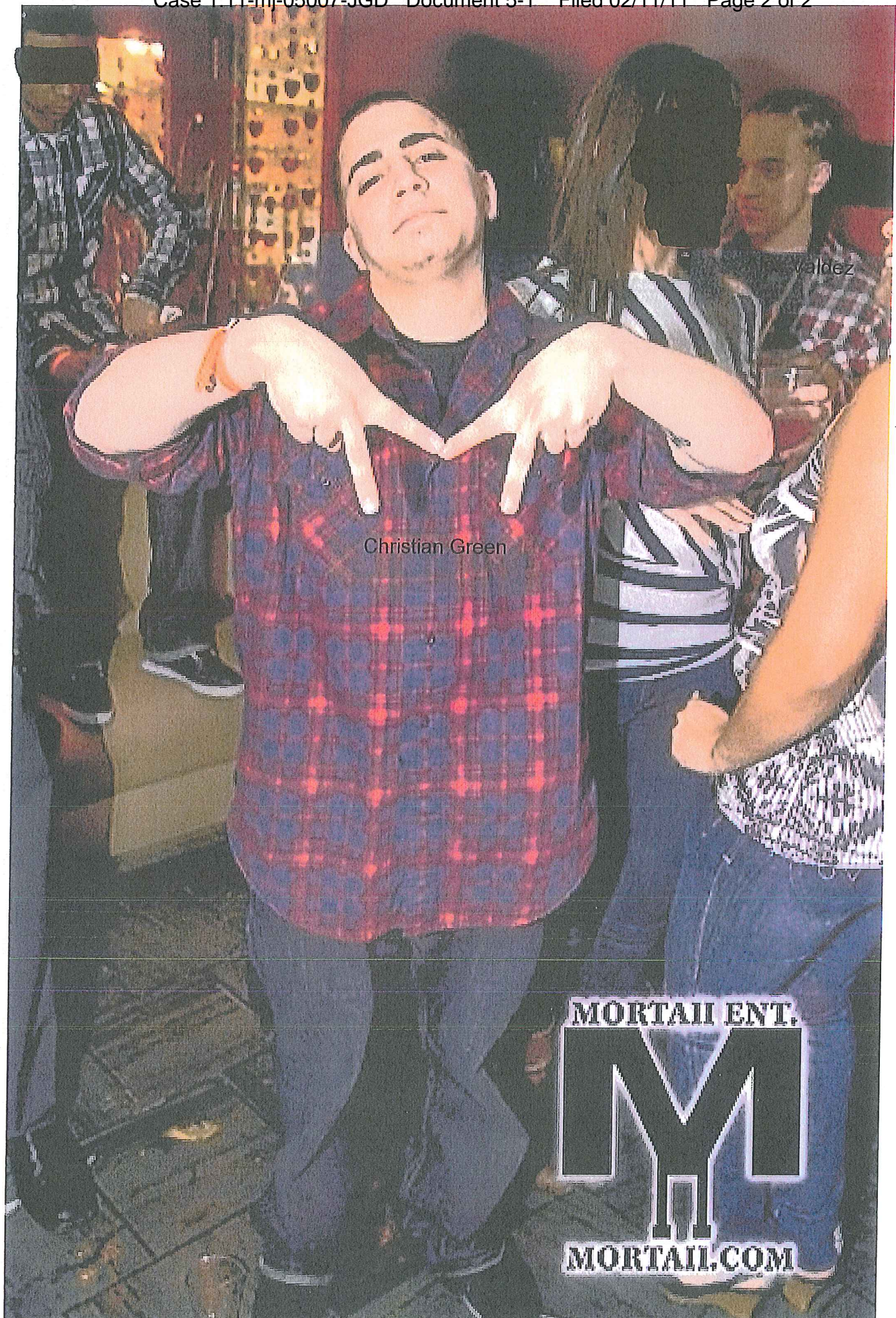
their disregard for the law and thus the danger they present.

I hereby certify this _____ day of February, 2011 that the foregoing is true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.



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EXHIBIT 1



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EXHIBIT 2



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EXHIBIT 4

