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SIG SAUER is aware of Florida State Representative Danny Alvarez's statement regarding the safety of the P320 pistol and its use by Florida law enforcement agencies. We commend Representative Alvarez for exercising his first amendment rights and standing up for what he believes in and agree that Florida's law enforcement officers need reliable equipment for their own safety and for the public they serve. To this end, SIG SAUER has always, and will continue to, put the safety and security of the law enforcement community, the U.S. Military, and our consumers first.

SIG SAUER is in direct contact with Representative Alvarez and will continue to maintain an open, respectful, and direct dialog. While we respect Representative Alvarez as both an individual and elected official, we reject his assertion that the P320 poses an undue risk to Florida's law enforcement community. We strongly disagree with his position, accusations, and inaccurate statements. His statements, while heartfelt, are misguided, misinformed and fueled by rhetoric as opposed to facts.

Representative Alvarez references a video involving an unintended discharge with a Tampa Police Department officer. He draws conclusions contrary to those of trained investigators from the department who found a key likely got caught in the officer's holster, causing a trigger actuation. Despite the evidence uncovered through investigative techniques, he still maintains his unsupported and untrained personal assessment.

The recent tragic incident at F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Wyoming is currently under investigation by the US Air Force Office of Special Investigations and the Air Force Global Strike Command Safety Office. SIG SAUER is in direct contact with the Air Force regarding the incident and has absolute confidence in the Military's ability to conduct a thorough investigation with fully transparent findings. Without any findings from the ongoing investigation, Representative Alvarez's reliance on this incident is premature. SIG SAUER urges Representative Alvarez to await the findings of the current Air Force investigation and to take into account all reliable facts, supported conclusions, and verified information regarding the P320.

Representative Alvarez cites a recently publicized report from the FBI's Ballistic Research Facility conducted on behalf of the Michigan State Police regarding the safety of the P320 as the basis of his case. The FBI prepared this report last year after a Michigan State Police Officer's M18 was involved in an accidental discharge. SIG SAUER met with the FBI and Michigan State Police shortly after the report was released. As noted by Representative Alvarez, SIG SAUER reviewed the FBI's original testing methodology, which used incompatible equipment, and mutually identified a consistent, measurable and repeatable methodology for subsequent testing. This subsequent testing, involving 20 different P320 striker assemblies, resulted in zero failures in over 500 attempts. The Michigan State



Police are now confidently issuing their officers P320 based M18 pistols, and the FBI BRF has made no claims, none, regarding the safety of the P320 pistol or any of its variants (email below). The FBI testing and factual evidence, along with the Michigan State Police selection of the P320 as the agency's official duty pistol, reaffirms the safety of the P320, a factual contrast to Representative Alvarez's claims.

The FBI conveyed this supplemental information directly to SIG and the Michigan State Police:

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From: [REDACTED]@fbi.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 1:43 PM
To: [REDACTED]@sigauer.com
Cc: [REDACTED]@fbi.gov
Subject: Sig Striker Lock Testing (Fixture)

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Sorry for the delay in sending you this email.

On or about 02/10/2025, BRF conducted limited testing of the striker safety lock utilizing a sample of the 19 striker assemblies provided by Sig during a previous meeting. Testing was conducted both by hand and with the use of the "X-Grip" fixture designed and provided by Sig. A minor modification was made to the fixture "knob" so that once pressure began to be applied to the sear it was continuous without the need to reset the hand on the knob (See attached photo). Each test utilized a primed case in the chamber.

Pre-test photographs were taken of each striker assembly, striker shelf, and striker safety lever. Varying finish quality of vital surface parts was observed.

The following testing was conducted (fixture only):

Striker #1- 10 strikes- no primer indent or detonation
Striker #2- 50 strikes- no primer indent or detonation
Striker #3- 100 strikes- no primer indent or detonation
Striker #4- 200 strikes- no primer indent or detonation

No manipulations of the weapon were conducted during these striker safety lock tests. These tests were conducted to observe wear of the striker safety lever and striker shelf at different intervals (when compared to pre-test photographs).

Additionally, four strikers were used to establish a wear reference under normal firing conditions (Federal 147 grain HST2 was utilized):

Striker #19- Fired 10 times
Striker #18- Fired 50 times
Striker #17- Fired 100 times
Striker #16- Fired 200 times

Thereafter, testing was conducted using the X-Grip fixture on two striker assemblies, as well as a manual (by hand) release of the sear on other assemblies (results previously provided verbally). Strikers #5 and #6 were tested for proper safety lock function using the fixture. The strikers were placed into a test weapon and the weapon holstered. The weapon was manipulated such that the slide and frame were moved around, pushed, and pulled at random then the sear dropped. The results were as follows:

Striker #5- 105 strikes with no primer indent or detonation
Striker #6- 50 strikes with no primer indent or detonation

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The P320 cannot, under any circumstance, discharge without a trigger pull. Lawsuits with claims that the P320 is capable of firing without a trigger pull have been dismissed in twelve (12) separate federal district courts, including a decision by a unanimous eight (8) person jury. In addition, five (5) other lawsuits against SIG SAUER regarding the P320 with different liability theories have also been dismissed. Plaintiffs' own experts have abandoned their theories that the P320 can discharge without a trigger pull after not being able to replicate it. Further, plaintiffs' own experts have repeatedly admitted under oath the P320 cannot discharge without trigger actuation - in direct contradiction to Representative Alvarez's accusations.

The P320 is among the most tested, proven, and successful handguns in recent history, with versions being selected as the official sidearm of the U.S., Canadian, Australian, and Danish militaries, among many other military and law enforcement organizations worldwide. SIG SAUER continues to stand behind the quality, safety, and reliability of the P320.

SIG SAUER has always and will continue to put the safety and security of the law enforcement community, the U.S. Military and our consumers first. We stand by Representative Alvarez's desire to increase the safety of public officers; however, a P320 ban does not accomplish that goal. Part of fielding safe firearms – regardless of type or manufacturer – requires extensive education and training at every level and are open to working with Representative Alvarez on fact-based solutions.