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Complaint: Mr. [REDACTED], complainant, emailed the Office of Police Oversight stating the following:

“Please insist that APD immediately cease the use of LRAD (sonic weapons) against protestors. The LRAD mounted on the roof at APD headquarters is capable of causing instantaneous permanent hearing damage. With APD’s track record thus far, we can reasonably assume this weapon will not be used in good faith and will result in permanent hearing damage to any protestors caught in its path. APD has already demonstrated the capability to use less lethal weapons in ways that will cause permanent injuries to protestors. A young man and a boy have already sustained fractured skulls requiring emergency brain surgery after being shot point blank with less lethal rounds. The first responders in at least one of these events sustained injuries from being shot at with less lethal rounds while responding to the injured. A pregnant protestor has been shot point blank in the stomach with less legal rounds. APD already has weapons which they misuse against protestors, they should have this taken away too (to be clear, I mean the less lethal projectiles they are pummeling folks with). APD does not need to use yet another weapon capable of inflicting permanent injuries on protestors. In the Live Music Capitol of the World, why would you want to destroy hearing?”