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Questions to consider when requesting SWAT/Tactical

1. Are there Hostages or others not wanting to leave?
 - a. What is the subject's preferred name? What makes them upset? What do they value?
2. Are there weapons involved and if so what type?
3. Has anyone been injured and the extent of the injuries? Anyone potentially injured?
4. What charges do you have? Felony or Misdemeanor? Persons or Property charges?
5. Is this call focused around a person with a mental illness?
6. Do you have the resources to deal with the call? (Less lethal, rifles, adequate number of officers for a QRF and perimeter).
7. Where is the intelligence/information coming from (spouse, family, friend)? Corroborated?
8. Do you have contact (or did you) with the suspect and how did you contact the suspect (phone, social media, family/friend etc.)? How do they communicate
9. What is the background/criminal history of the suspect?
10. If you are at a residence are there fortifications or other considerations?
11. Weather considerations and/or Environmental factors
12. What is the risk and to whom if we walk away?
13. Who is the scene supervisor? Command Post? Line of site issues? Adequate resources for inner- and outer- perimeter

High-risk indicators of violence (FBI / HOBAS)

- Subject deliberately commits an action that will cause a response from and confrontation w/ police
- Victim is known and was specifically selected/targeted by the subject; Especially if the subject has had a romantic involvement w/ the victim, or if the victim is a family member.
- Past history of problems between the subject and victim, severe enough to warrant police intervention; especially in cases of child abuse, spouse/sig. other abuse, protective orders involving the subject
- Direct threats against, or actual injury to the victim, combined with no substantive demand
- History of previous/similar incidents
- Subject has experienced multiple, recent life stressors (financial loss, job loss, emotional loss, loss of self-esteem).
- Cultural background of subject emphasizes significance of "loss of face" and/or importance of macho/male dominance in relationships
- Lack of familial or social support system (no family or friends or chronic isolation from family)
- Verbalization of intent to commit suicide
- Subject has given a "verbal will" to someone or has "set their affairs in order."