

Collin County Sheriff's Office

Memorandum

To: Commissioners Court

From: Sheriff Jim Skinner

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Date: Friday, August 24, 2018

Re: Mutual-Aid Agreements Related to the NTX Criminal Interdiction Unit

Under Order No. 2017-668-09-11 (Sept. 11, 2017), the Commissioners Court approved the Mutual-Aid Agreement for Cooperation on Law-Enforcement Efforts Between Sheriff's Offices of Various Texas Counties. This is the organizing agreement for the North Texas Sheriffs' Criminal Interdiction Unit (NTXCIU).

As of August 23, 2018, the Commissioners Courts in these counties have signed the agreement:

- Collin County,
- Grayson County,
- Hunt County,
- Parker County,
- Rockwall County,
- Smith County, and
- Wise County.

I also expect Tarrant County to join the agreement.

Moreover, the Sheriffs have decided to close the NTXCIU's membership.

When the Commissioners Court approved the agreement, technically only Collin and Grayson Counties signed at the time. Thus, the Court expressly approved the agreement between just these two counties. In fairness, however, I think the Court also approved the agreement's concept that Sheriff's Offices in other counties would join. So, I wanted to update the Court on the NTXCIU's current and expected membership status, without putting the agreement before the Court again.

If the Court prefers otherwise, I would be happy to put the agreement back on the Court's agenda so that it can consider a new order and formally approve the agreement between Collin County and *each* of these other counties. If so, I'll also come back when Tarrant County approves.

Thank you, and I appreciate your support of the NTXCIU.