

Timeline of Events leading to Trump Rally in Butler

2024-09-02 - Version 1.05

18:11:33:233 – The time used as the exact time when the first shot fired as per RSBN Footage.

DEFINITIONS

Text in Black is information derived directly from Footage and Screenshots of Text Messages

Text in Green is from official documentation and official statements on Government Websites

Text in Orange is from Witness testimony or unverified statements in Footage

Text in Red is from the Media

Text in italics is speculation

Emergency Services Unit = ESU
Beaver County ESU = BeC-ESU
Butler County ESU = BuC-ESU
Law Enforcement Officer = LEO
Pennsylvania State Police = PSP
Unites States Secret Service = USSS
Washington County ESU = WC-ESU



AGR Buildings Map

2023-08-10

- Thomas Matthew Crooks, referred as Crooks, joins the Clairton Sportsmen's Club, inc. a club for gun enthusiasts which has access to rifle ranges where members can practice their marksmanship. This information is according to records released by Sen. Chuck Grassley¹.
 - Crooks regularly visited the club since becoming a member and in total practiced a minimum of 43 times.
 - In the month of June there seems to be fewer visits to the gun range compared to his consistent visits the year prior.

2023-08-31

- Crooks had his first recorded practice session at the Clairton Sportsmen's Club.
 - *It seems that Crooks might have had company at the Shooting range on this day. On this day, someone signed into Clairton on the exact same time and used the same ranges with Crooks and the mystery visitor both using the rifle and pistol range on 9 Nov 2023.*
 - *There are four dates where Crooks might have had company at the Shooting range. 31 Aug. 2023; 28 Sept. 2023; 9 Nov. 2023; and 24 April 2024.*

2023-09

- In a statement released by FBI², in late September 2023, an account connected to Thomas Matthew Crooks, referred as Crooks, was used to search the former president Trump's campaign schedule and upcoming appearances in Pennsylvania.
 - The FBI is of the opinion that Crooks planned an attack well before the campaign rally.

2024-04

- According to the FBI, from April up to the Trump Rally, Crooks searched campaign events for both former President Trump and President [Joe] Biden, including events scheduled to take place in western Pennsylvania.
 - In the 30 days prior to the attack, Crooks conducted more than 60 searches related to former President Trump and President Biden.

2024-07-03

- Butler Eagle³ reports that Trump will be holding his Pennsylvania rally at the Butler Farm Show grounds.

2024-07-04

- Crooks searched for details of the former president Trump's campaign event in Butler.

¹https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/crooks_sign_in_and_membership_form_for_clairton_sportsmens_club1.pdf

² <https://www.fbi.gov/news/speeches/fbi-pittsburgh-special-agent-in-charge-s-remarks-to-media-on-updates-to-the-butler-pennsylvania-assassination-attempt-investigation>

³ <https://www.butlereagle.com/20240703/former-president-donald-trump-plans-butler-rally-july-13/>

2024-07-05

- According to the FBI, Crooks used a search engine to look up details of a political nature on this day. Specifically he searched:
 - when is the RNC in 2024
 - when is the DNC convention
- PSP was notified of the Event according to testimony of Col. Christopher Paris⁴.

2024-07-06

- Crooks, registers to attend the rally as reported by News Interactive and stated by the FBI.
- According to the FBI, Crooks used a search engine to look up details for the trump rally on this day. Specifically he searched:
 - how far was Oswald from Kennedy
 - where will Trump speak from at Butler Farm Show
 - Butler Farm Show podium
 - Butler Farm Show photos

2024-07-07

- Crooks drives to the Farm Show Grounds and spends about 20 minutes surveilling the area. (FBI Timeline⁵)
- The Farm Show Grounds is reported to be an hour north of his home in Bethel Park.

2024-07-08

- According to the FBI, Crooks used a search engine to look up details for the trump rally on this day. Specifically he searched:
 - AGR International
- BeC-ESU was requested to support BuC-ESU⁶ in assisting the Trump Rally as per the Grassley Document - beaver_esu_request_to_cover__redacted. At this point of time the Trump Rally would take place at the Butler Fair grounds as stated in the fist message of this document.
 - *It is unclear at what point the event was moved from the Fair Grounds to the Butler Farm Show. On the official Trump website it shows that on 3 July it was stated to be on the Butler Farm Show, but it is unclear if this article was changed at any point after posting.*
- In an article of CNN⁷ where Nicol was interviewed, it was revealed that Det. Pat Young is the commander of the BeC-ESU team and Nicol's boss.
- The possibility of Beaver only being ON CALL was raised due to lack of resources.
 - *The initial of the person sending these messages was a 'Y'. It is possible that this was Det. Pat Young and the person in charge of this text group.*

⁴ Col. Christopher Paris Testimony - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wocjihprbww>

⁵ <https://www.fbi.gov/news/speeches/deputy-director-abbates-opening-statement-to-the-joint-hearing-of-the-senate-judiciary-and-homeland-security-and-governmental-affairs-committees>

⁶ Grassley Document - beaver_esu_request_to_cover__redacted

⁷ <https://edition.cnn.com/2024/08/10/politics/snipers-detail-breakdowns-trump-assassination-attempt-invs/index.html>

- A team leader has indicated beforehand that he will leave the counter sniper group at 16:00. Read together with later evidence this is the person is part of the team who later was put in charge of the AGR Area designated 10S3.
 - Members of the AGR Area 10S3 team are Sgt. Jason Woods, referred as Woods, member of BeC-ESU, Sgt. Greg Nicol the second member from BeC-ESU, referred as Nicol and a third member, Murcko, who was from BuC-ESU.
- It seems that this group initially had limited overwatch duties at this point of time as per the comment that overwatch will be from a bearcat.
- An initial planning meeting with the commanders took place according to Col Christopher Paris.
- The USSS conducted its first walk-through of the site as part of the advance preparation.
 - *It is unclear if the media correctly stated the date of this advance. It could have been on 2024-07-11, otherwise there were two advances.*

2024-07-09

- According to the FBI, Crooks used a search engine to look up details for the trump rally on this day. Specifically he searched:
 - ballistic calculator
- It is confirmed that the BeC-ESU will take on the protection detail as per the Grassley Document.
- In a BDSA Bodycam footage, 122125⁸, (18:22:52) it is mentioned that local Law Enforcement asked the USSS to post agents at the AGR Buildings. They were under the impression whoever might be posted there, will be posted on the roof.
 - Apparently a meeting took place on this day.

2024-07-10

- According to the FBI, Crooks used a search engine to look up details for the trump rally on this day. Specifically he searched:
 - Weather in Butler
- A Text group is created for the crew that had to work the Donald J Trump detail⁹ as per the Grassley Document - beaver_esu_officer_assignments_group_text_redacted.
 - They were tasked with bringing a “folding chair and sun lotion”. *It was assumed that it would be a hot day.*
 - At this point it was assumed that they would be “tucked out of site.” (*Sight?*)

2024-07-11

- According to Col. Christopher Paris, a site walkthrough took place and BuC-ESU was assigned to the AGR Area.
 - *Note that as previously mentioned, BeC-ESU was assigned to support BuC-ESU, so it was not exclusively BuC-ESU on duty.*
- The USSS agents conducted an abbreviated advance on this day.

⁸ <https://rumble.com/v5aa2t9-maga-rally-in-butler-pa-bodycam-footage-bwc2-122125.html>

⁹ Grassley Document - beaver_esu_officer_assignments_group_text_redacted

- There is a video¹⁰ of the USSS agents at Butler during a walkthrough.
- The female USSS agent who had problems with the gun holster was the shift lead, according to Gary from Paramount Tactical¹¹. The agent in charge was Tim Burke.

Night? – Approval was given for USSS Counter sniper teams

- According to Gary from Paramount Tactical, Gary got information from within the USSS that the shift lead pushed for USSS counter sniper teams and these teams were only approved at the last minute. Originally USSS counter snipers were not scheduled to be there. They were given permission for the USSS counter sniper teams later in the evening.
 - According to Jesse Watters in an interview with Josh Hawley¹², there was supposed to be four USSS counter sniper teams, but they have only gotten two.

2024-07-12

- The BuC-ESU Commander personally reminded the USSS counter-sniper teams to pick up their assigned radios at the ESU Command Post RV, the following morning before 1100 hrs. This is according to the Clay Higgins report of 12 August 2024
 - The radio comms were properly and perfectly arranged during the extensive pre-mission planning according to the report.
 - USSS did not retrieve the radios that had been set aside for them by Butler County tactical command on 07/13.

14:45 - Crooks signed in at the rifle range

- Crooks was at a local shooting club practicing on the rifle range according to records released by Sen. Grassley.
 - According to Fox News¹³ the FBI Director Wray said that the rifle was originally bought by Crooks father but later legally sold to his son.

Afternoon? – USSS Counter snipers arrived in Butler

- According to Gary from Paramount Tactical, the snipers arrived in the afternoon. This gave the counter snipers limited time to make a survey as mentioned by Susan Crabtree on X¹⁴.

18:55 – Meeting place was announced

- Meeting place for Donald J Trump Detail was communicated as per Grassley document.
 - The meeting place was changed from Meridien FD to the FOP (Forward Observation Post) at the back entrance of the Farm show grounds.

¹⁰ <https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/video/setup-begins-for-donald-trump-rally-in-butler-county/>

¹¹ Paramount Tactical - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LPNDeDgYurQ&t=2093s>

¹² <https://www.foxnews.com/video/6361116595112>

¹³ <https://www.foxnews.com/us/trump-shooter-thomas-crooks-family-had-14-guns-home-father-legally-sold-gun-son-fbi-director-wray>

¹⁴ <https://x.com/susanrabtree/status/1812563751159443926>

2024-07-13

32 Degree Celsius

5mph Western Wind (Estimated at time of shooting)

09:00 – Briefing takes place at at FOP

- Butler County ESU LEO hosts a general briefing.
 - In the meeting, Bravo Team Leader gave out Assignments
 - State police was noted to not give any input in the meeting in the Beaver After Action report, referred as AAR, released by Grassley¹⁵,
 - Nicol and other counter snipers were assigned to be inside the AGR BLDG no.3 in this meeting as stated in a CNN Article. They were apparently directed to several windows on the second floor of AGR BLDG 3. They were instructed to remain covert.
- The Members of the Meeting was as follows: WC-ESU, BeC-ESU, BuC-ESU, PSP.
 - According to an interview with the Swat team, during the whole day no meeting was held where the USSS was present.
 - Media reports USSS was absent
- There is a detail plan released by Grassley¹⁶. There is a sectors map ordered per importance on page 11. This map excludes the AGR buildings as a priority.
 - *Some of the maps seem older than others in the Detail plan, for example the sniper positions on page 12, and stylistically some maps differ from each other. On this map the Counter snipers were posted on the roof of the AGR BLDG 6.*
- If you look at page 4 of the Grassley Sniper positions document¹⁷, you can see that two maps were taped to the wall, the overall Threat Sector Map of page 4 and a generic satellite image where the butler and Washington sniper post in the south was marked with a red pen.
 - *On the top map the position marked with a red pen on the photo is the same as the sniper positions of page 12 where only one building was marked, instead of both buildings as in the image on page 2, 39 & 41.*
- Page 15 indicates that counter sniper teams were issued a Butler County Radio.

10:00? – Crooks arrives at the rally site

- According to the New York Post¹⁸, Crooks stopped at a Home Depot in the morning to purchase a Five-foot ladder (NY Post Timeline)
- Around 10:00 Crooks arrived at the showgrounds and remained there for about 70 minutes before returning home. (FBI Timeline)

10:15? – BeC-ESU in place

- Sgt. Edward Lenz, referred as Lenz, the tactical commander for the BuC-ESU, was inside a white trailer, a mobile communications hub for local police, according to Washington Post¹⁹. This Trailer was located next to a lakeside warehouse to the south of the rally site.

¹⁵ Grassley Documents - beaver_county_fpotus_after_action_redacted

¹⁶ Grassley Document - butler_esu_djt_fpotus_detail_plan_redacted2

¹⁷ Grassley Document - beaver_and_butler_county_counter_sniper_positions_redacted

¹⁸ NY Post Timeline - <https://nypost.com/2024/07/17/us-news/secret-service-identified-thomas-crooks-as-a-threat-10-minutes-before-trump-took-stage-but-let-him-go-on-anyway/>

- Lenz was joined by a deputy commander in the BuC-ESU, a Butler County sheriff's sergeant and a Butler county employee.
- There were three encrypted communication channels in the trailer that was monitored.
- No one from the USSS was inside the trailer; the federal Agency had its own mobile command post almost 300 yards away to the northwest.
- If Lenz wanted to contact USSS, he had to pick up his cellphone and dial a state trooper, Sgt. Joseph Olayer, referred as Olayer, to relay the message.

10:30? – Local Snipers in place

Snipers occupy their positions. There were four counter sniper posts as per the detail plan

- 10S1 – Posted on the Grandstand and very little information exists of them due to a lack of impact on the proceedings of that day.
 - As mentioned earlier there seems to exist an internal contradiction in the detail plan where at some parts of the document only one building would be occupied but in other parts two buildings would be occupied.
- 10S3 - Posted at the AGR Area and was tasked to secure that area. They are a sniper team as confirmed by Grassley bodycam footage²⁰ released and Nicol was seen with a sniper rifle in the BCSA Dashcam footage, M500-010482²¹ at 19:59:46.
 - Woods is the BeC-ESU counter sniper who left early. Nicol is the second BeC-ESU counter sniper and the third counter sniper is a person with the surname Murcko as confirmed by Chris Martenson.
 - There are reports and whistleblowers that the team themselves decided to set up post inside the AGR BLDG 3 because it was a hot day and there was an AC unit in the room. *Unverified for now.*

Vendor dispute at Main Entrance handled by a Butler County Sheriff

- Lack of information, but part of the AAR

13:00 – Gates opened for the Public

- According to Grassley Documents, magnetometers, which help detect ferrous items, should have been activated at this time.
 - According to the assignments text group, magnetometers would be active from 13:00 to 16:00
- The queue for entering the rally site was hours long.

13:03 – The Leader of the AGR sniper team was added to a Text group

- Note that Grassley has released two documents of this text group.
 - First: beaver_and_butler_county_counter_sniper_positions_redacted²²
 - Second:
beaver_butler_and_washington_county_sniper_group_text_photos_of_crooks_redact²³

¹⁹ <https://www.washingtonpost.com/investigations/2024/08/03/trump-rally-police-radio-transmissions/>

²⁰ <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-releases-additional-bodycam-footage-from-moments-after-trump-assassination-attempt>

²¹ <https://rumble.com/v5aat5h-maga-rally-in-butler-pa-dashcam-footage-m500-010482.html>

²² Grassley Document - beaver_and_butler_county_counter_sniper_positions_redacted

13:30? – Crooks collects his gear

- Crooks gets his AR rifle from his home. He tells his parents he's going to the shooting range. (FBI timeline)

13:55? – Crooks buys ammunition

- On his way back to the Butler Farm Show grounds he stops at Bethal Park ammo where he bought 50 rounds of 5.56 ammunition for the rifle. (FBI timeline)

13:45 – USSS Counter Sniper meets up with Local Snipers

- According to Local Sniper text group, the local snipers were scheduled to meet up with the USSS Counter Snipers at the Grand Stands.
 - There is no indication in this document that it was cancelled or they were stood up.
 - According to an interview by ABC News with the BeC-ESU team, where Nicol was present, the USSS counter snipers were supposed to give the local snipers a briefing, but according to them this did not happen.²⁴
 - According to the same spokesperson in the interview, they did not have any contact with the USSS before the shots were fired.

15:13 – Report came in that Trump is delayed

- A Person messaged in the local sniper text group that trump was delayed by an hour.

15:45? – Crooks returns to the rally site

- Crooks returns to the rally site in his Hyundai Sonata as reported by News Interactive²⁵. In the car are two homemade explosive devices (IED) with detonators that can be remotely triggered.

15:51 – Crooks scouts with a drone

- Crooks flies a drone just outside the inner perimeter of the rally, possibly to scope out security. The flight lasts 11 minutes and comes within approximately 200 yards of the Farm Show grounds. (FBI Timeline)
- The drone and controller were later found in Crooks car. Analysis did not reveal any photos or video taken by the drone, but the FBI states that Crooks was live streaming and would have been able to view it on his controller.

16:19 – A Counter Sniper of 10S3 leaves

- Woods leaves his post.
 - According to Photo released by Grassley²⁶, Woods leaves through Exit 9 on the east side of AGR BLDG 6.
- In the Grassley documents a text group existed for Snipers assigned to the AGR Buildings²⁷.

²³ Grassley Document - beaver_butler_and_washington_county_sniper_group_text_photos_of_crooks_redacted

²⁴ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KXMkDmV-TfA>

²⁵ <https://newsinteractive.post-gazette.com/trump-butler-rally-security-timeline/>

²⁶ Grassley Document - agr_picnic_table

²⁷ Grassley Document - beaver_and_butler_county_snipers_assigned_to_agr_building_id_gunman_as_

- It is important to note that at 17:52 Woods send a message that the bike was not under the tree when Woods left his post.

16:26 – Crooks seen near Vendors

- Footage²⁸ was released where currently the first sighting of Crooks was caught on camera, near the Farm Show air strip. Crooks can be seen walking northwards at the Merchant stands at the Butler Rally. The Merchant stands were located near the Farm Show air strip on the road on one of the three intersections at the east side of Sector 7, Dairy Barns and Hangers, in the Grassley detail plan.
 - The merchant, **Joe Tomko, who owns Iron Clad USA**, claimed that this was taken at 16:26 and gave a screenshot to prove this.
 - The FBI confirmed that the ‘digital evidence’ is legitimate.
- Woods sees a foreign car parked at the exit of the AGR buildings and assumes that the person sitting at the picnic table is the owner. Woods later claimed that this person was Crooks, but was later confirmed to not be the case. On a Text group that seems to be of his team, Woods informs them of this person.
 - Woods mentions that a person ‘snuck in’ and parked their car next to theirs.
 - Woods mentions that a person sitting on a picnic table about 50 yards to the direct right from the exit knows they are in the AGR buildings. Woods assumed that the person at the picnic table is the owner of the foreign car.
 - Two people, one with the Initial N and other M acknowledges this msg. The person with the initial M, sent their message 13 minutes later at 16:39. *It is assumed that ‘N’ stands for Nicol and M for Murcko.*

17:00? – Incident at Magnetometer

- Early on the CNN²⁹ and NY Post reported that Crooks set off the metal detector at the rally entrance, because he was carrying a rangefinder. In the CNN article it was stated that the source was from a senior LEO.
- According to NY Post, Crooks was still allowed to enter through the entry gates, but the authorities, in particular a rooftop counter sniper team, kept close watch on him until he departed the secure area. It was further stated by the New York Post that, quote: “Crooks was scoping them out with his rangefinder while they watched him with theirs.”
- Further reported by NY Post is that Crooks drew suspicion, after the above event, quote: “– not once but twice – and was even photographed and reported.”
- According to Sen. John Barrasso³⁰, he took part in a USSS, DHS briefing. From this briefing it was stated that at least a full hour before the shooting, Crooks was identified as a suspicious character.
 - Quote: “That shooter was identified as a suspect, suspicious character a full hour before the shooting occurred. Had a rangefinder, a backpack, then lost sight of him and never really followed up on that. This was an HOUR before!”

suspicious_person_redacted

²⁸ <https://www.tiktok.com/@ironcladusa/video/7394850830802816298>

²⁹ <https://edition.cnn.com/2024/07/14/politics/what-happened-trump-assassination-attempt/index.html>

³⁰ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xcrMK7SWNKA>

- *It is unclear when exactly these events happened. NY Post claimed it was 3pm, Sen. Barrasso stated 17:00, but all of these and other timelines contradict each other. The 3pm could be a typo because in the same article they are quoting Sen. Barrasso. For this timeline we will assume that the intended timeline was closer to 17:00 if it indeed happened.*

17:02 – Red Truck guy tries to remove people from his property

- According to footage released by Dayve Steward³¹, a man attempted to remove people from the AGR property or that area on the south/east side of AGR BLDG 6.
 - Later in the day only a limited number of rally goers were in that area.
- A few minutes later, 17:10 according to Steward, a sheriff vehicle arrives and seems to resolve the issue. The person left after the discussion with the officer from the vehicle.
 - According to an interrogation of Steward³² the person who tried to remove them, claimed to be the owner of the AGR and was driving in a red Ford Ranger truck. The person has highly agitated according to Steward.

17:04:40 – Second video of Crooks

- **He parked at a gas station about a third of a mile (500m) away called Sheetz.**
 - *It is assumed that Crooks parked at Sheetz about 16:50 to 16:55 based on the average walking speed of an adult.*
 - *It must be noted that in all other evidence it was not suggested or mentioned that Crooks parked at any other place. The only other suggestion was by Woods that Crooks parked at the AGR buildings. This, however, does not exclude the possibility that Crooks parked at other places beforehand.*
- At 17:04:40 a dashcam video, seen on News Interactive in the same article mentioned earlier, shows Crooks moving towards the AGR buildings from the direction of Sheetz.
 - It is mentioned in the footage that this video may be off by a couple of minutes to either side.

17:05 – 17:13 – USSS Counter Snipers take their positions

- As seen in the RSBN life footage, in this period of time the USSS counter sniper teams, codenamed Hercules, climbed onto the roof of the two barns behind Trump's Stage.
- Hercules 1 - One was posted behind the podium on the south barn and they seemed to be tasked to survey the south of the stage.
 - They had a clear view of the AGR BLDG 6 rooftop where Crooks eventually fired shots towards Trump from their position. The area towards the east of Crooks was behind the tree. All of this could be seen in the photos shown by Acting Director of the USSS Ronald Rowe in his testimony³³.
- Hercules 2 - One was posted behind the podium on the north barn and they seemed to be tasked to survey the north of the podium, which includes the AGR Buildings.

³¹ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=28lxF9LONGk&t=315s>

³² https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p_IB1uDQhwE&t=40s

³³ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tzxmMQhWoEo>

- This team did not have a direct line of sight to the position of Crooks, since a tree was in the way as shown in the video of Rep. C Gimenez.³⁴

17:06:54 – Third video of Crooks

- A video, released by WTAE³⁵, catches Crooks moving and looking around at the south side of the AGR BLDG 6. The video starts at 17:06:49, but Crooks is first seen on the screen at 17:06:54.
 - The time was confirmed by synchronizing the Elvis Presley song with RSBN live footage.
- At 17:07:28 Crooks turned around and walked towards the west.

17:10 – Nicol observes Crooks

- According to the ARR, released by Grassley³⁶, BeC-ESU counter sniper Nicol, spotted Crooks walking below his window in AGR BLDG 3, second floor. (AAR Timeline)
 - Quote from ABC Interview: “He was looking up and down the building and just walked around and just seemed out of place.”

17:14 – Pictures taken of Suspect by Nicol

- Crooks stood at the retaining wall on the south-side of AGR BLDG 3 and at this moment a photo was taken of him by Nicol. (AAR Timeline)

17:28 – Picture of Bike by Nicol

- Nicol spotted a Bike and took a photo of it. (AAR Timeline)
 - The bike is to the northwest of AGR BLDG 3.
 - When using the line of sight of the photo, it seems that the picture of the bike was taken from the North West window of the AGR BLDG 3, second floor.
- According to Grassley Bodycam footage, the BeC-ESU agent said that Nicol saw Crooks walking from a bicycle and putting a bag down.
 - It was later confirmed that the bicycle was not owned by Crooks and Crooks had nothing to do with it.

17:32 – Nicol observes Crooks looking at phone and using a rangefinder towards the stage

- According to a CNN article, after taking the photo, Nicol again spotted Crooks. He then zoomed in with his binoculars and noticed the range finder. His personal estimation of Crooks rose from odd to potential threat. CNN stated this was at 15:32.
- In the AAR it is stated that Nicol was observing Crooks with a monocular and that Crooks was looking at a phone, watching the news feeds and that he had a range finder.
- According to a later message in the Grassley documents, the last position of Crooks was next to the AGR building and Nicol did not see where Crooks went, but suspected that Crooks went towards the back, northwards.
 - *It was thus far not stated what AGR building is referred to here. It is assumed to be AGR BLDG 3.*

³⁴ <https://rumble.com/v582f3e-rep-carlos-gimenez-takes-video-from-assassination-rooftop.html>

³⁵ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UojlcfpSFZs&t=4s>

³⁶ Grassley Documents - beaver_county_fpotus_after_action_redacted

- According to the testimony of Ben Shaffer, from a Republican Hearing³⁷, the range finder would have automatically upgraded the designation of Crooks from a Suspicious Person to a Person of Interest.
 - Quote: "... from a SWAT point of view and from a tactical point of view our escalation of people that we encounter starts out as a **suspicious person**, then goes to a **person of interest** and then from that level upgrades to what we refer to as a **threat**. And each one of those warrants a different response."

17:33:48 – Trump arrives at the Butler rally site

- Trump motorcade arrives as per the video footage of CBS. **The timeline is based on this footage.**
 - At 17:34 a person on local sniper text group sent a message "Game Time!!"
 - The arrival time, according to testimony of Acting Director of the USSS Ronald Rowe, was at 17:30 as per the timeline of Senator Ron Johnson³⁸.

17:34? – BuC-ESU Sniper texts Butler Team

- The BuC-ESU sniper Murcko, who was stationed in the AGR team, was noted to have sent a text to the Butler team. This was an assumption in the Beaver AAR and is not verified.

17:38 – Nicol sends text about Person of Interest

- Nicol sends for the first time a text on the local sniper text group the photos he had taken of Crooks and a short description of what he has seen.
 - Quote: "Kid learning around building we are in. AGR I believe it is. I did see him with a range finder looking towards stage. FYI. If you wanna notify SS snipers to look out. I lost sight of him. Also a bike with backpack sitting next to it in rear of building that was not seen earlier."

17:40 – Response text to Nicol "Call into command"

- Someone responds to Nicol on the same group and quote: "Call it in to command and have a uniform check it out."

17:41 – Called into command by Nicol about suspect

- 4 Sierra 2 to Command – communicated description and range finder lurking around AGR Buildings (From the AAR)
 - Butler 4 Command Frequency
- Quote received from Washington Post³⁹: "Just an FYI, we had a younger white male, long hair, lurking around the AGR building... [] ...He was viewed with a range finder sighting the stage. ... We lost sight of him."
 - According to Washington Post, the radio transmission set off a flurry of messages between local officers on the ground and supervisors stationed in the BuC-ESU command center trailer.

³⁷ Republican Hearing - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t825B7CE3WU>

³⁸ Johnson Document - 2024-07-30 Timeline of Law Enforcement Awareness of Crooks on July 13 2024 - For the Record

³⁹ <https://www.washingtonpost.com/investigations/2024/08/03/trump-rally-police-radio-transmissions/>

- “Do you know what color shirt?” one sheriff’s deputy asked.
- “White shirt with a hat,” another answered.
- In a separate channel for local tactical officers — not audible on the channel used by sheriff’s deputies — Nicol gave a different description: “Gray T-shirt, light-colored khaki shorts.”

17:44? - USSS command is notified of Suspicious Person

- Lenz used his cellphone to call a PSP officer stationed in the USSS trailer, according to the officials and call logs. State police Olayer, the call recipient, would then relay the information to his USSS counterparts in the trailer. (WP Timeline)
 - Olayer is the person of whom Col. Paris has testified received the information, turned around and immediately relayed the information to USSS.
 - The USSS gave Olayer a specific number to which the ESU members should send the pictures of Crooks.
- In the New York Post article mentioned earlier, when the USSS was warned of a suspicious person, Crooks was identified as a threat. (NYP Timeline)
 - *Since this article, the USSS constantly held the stance that Crooks was never labeled as a threat and only as a suspicious person.*
- Shortly after Lenz passed on the suspicious-person report to the state police sergeant, Lenz radioed to local officers that help was on the way, the transcript shows.
 - “PSP and sheriffs should be in route,” Lenz told officers on the ground at 5:45 p.m.

17:45 - AGR Counter Snipers circulate images and Description of Crooks

- Nicol sent photos of Crooks to the BeC-ESU Officers text group⁴⁰, part of the Grassley document, and requests that these photos should be circulated and sent to ‘whoever’ at command.
- A BuC-ESU Counter Sniper, *probably Murcko*, sends the images and description given by Nicol of Crooks to one of the USSS counter sniper *team leaders* at the rally, including that Crooks was seen using a rangefinder in the direction of the rally stage. (Sen Ron Johnson)
 - The USSS counter sniper *team leader* responds, “Roger. I’ll notify teams on AGR side.” (Sen Ron Johnson)
 - Acting Director Rowe confirms the BuC-ESU counter sniper sends the Secret Service counter sniper team leader a text with the images and description of Crooks. (Sen Ron Johnson)
- Officers tried to circulate photos of Crooks, but cellphone reception problems in the next 6 minutes got in the way, the transcript shows. (WP Timeline)
 - 17:47 - “I’m trying to forward photographs of the individual,” said a local tactical team member
 - 17:48 - “Units be advised internet and cell service is down,” another officer on the Butler channel said
 - 17:49 - “Your picture is probably not going to go through because I don’t have any service,” a sheriff’s deputy radioed

⁴⁰ Grassley Document - beaver_county_esu_officers_group_text_photos_of_crooks_redacted

17:49? – Communications regarding suspect and pictures

- A BuC-ESU tactical officer said over the radio he had “notified Hercules,” a code name for USSS counter sniper units. (WP Timeline)

17:51? – Confirmation of Reveal by Command

- A person on the BeC-ESU Officers text group, with the initial S, confirms to Nicol that the relevant information was sent. (Grassley document)

17:53? - USSS Counter Sniper team leader sends email to USSS Counter Sniper teams

- According to Acting Director Rowe, the USSS counter sniper team leader emails the USSS Counter Sniper teams that “local law enforcement [is] looking for a suspicious individual outside the perimeter, ‘lurking around the AGR building’.” (Sen Ron Johnson)

17:54? - Traffic control officers was enlisted for the manhunt

- Lenz enlisted more officers, including police handling traffic on roads outside the rally site. (WP Timeline)
- “Our sierra units lost visual of him,” Lenz told the traffic-control officers. “I believe you guys are outside of that fence, if you come upon him.”

17:59 – Command asks for direction of travel of Crooks

- A person on the BeC-ESU Officer text group messages that Command wants to know it what direction Crooks was moving before sight was lost on him. (Grassley documents)
 - *The person had an initial ‘P’ and is suspected to be Assistant BeC-ESU team leader Mike Priolo.*

18:00 – Nicol states Direction unknown

- On the BeC-ESU Officers text group Nicol responds:
 - Quote: “Not Sure. He was up against the building. If I had to guess towards the back. Away from the event.”

18:02 – Nicol spots Crooks

- From a northwest window, facing away from the rally site, Nicol spotted Crooks again. Nicol had moved to look for the suspect, according to Young, Nicol’s commander. (WP Timeline).
 - Quote: “All right, subject is in between the AGR building. He has a backpack,” said Nicol.
 - Note that the time differs with at least 3 minutes between timelines of Washington Post and the AAR. [WP - 18:02; AAR – 18:05]
- Murcko stayed in place at original position. They are referring to the second floor of the AGR BLDG 3. (AAR)
- From his vantage point on the second floor, Nicol was unable to discern where Crooks was headed though; the transcript shows. (WP Timeline).
- Crooks walked to the northeast, toward an area between two wings of the complex of warehouses at AGR International. The space was enclosed on three sides, a dead end.

- But Nicol suggested Crooks was headed in the direction of a gas station on the other side of the AGR buildings about a quarter of a mile away. And this is the information that was circulated.
- Quote: “He just went towards the Sheetz.”

18:02:33 - Trump takes the stage

- Trump is announced to the crowd and music plays as he takes the stage.
 - Trump was not informed of any danger and was not asked to wait before taking the stage.
- Lenz called Olayer in the USSS command post to pass on a message during a 40-second call, according to the law enforcement official familiar with the police response and call logs. (WP Timeline)

18:04 - Focus stays on Sheetz

- “All units be advised also that individual is headed towards Sheetz,” a sheriff’s deputy radioed to his colleagues.

18:05? – Crooks pulls himself onto AGR Buildings

- According to FBI Deputy Director Paul Abbate, a video shows Crooks pulling himself onto the AGR building rooftops via HVAC equipment and piping on the side of the building as per the Johnson timeline.
 - This video is apparently from the King Cone ice cream shop across the road from the AGR Buildings, according to NBC News⁴¹. (The video was not made public yet.)
 - The larger building to the north is called AGR BLDG 9 as seen on the doors in bodycam footage that says AGR BLDG 9-1 and AGR BLDG 9-2
 - The smaller building to the south with the large shipping doors is called AGR BLDG 2 as seen in bodycam footage that says AGR BLDG 2. *With this logic the other buildings will be named in the same manner.*
 - *It is strongly suggested that the HVAC unit and piping is on the south side of AGR BLDG 9. This is in the open space between BLDG 9 and 2.*
 - *A few meters to the left of the HVAC unit there apparently is a security camera. It is unclear if any security cameras of the AGR buildings were functioning on this day, how many and where they are.*
- “He’s reportedly between the building up here at AGR somewhere,” a local officer on the channel for traffic control. “I’m guessing the west side, east side looks clear.” (WP Timeline)
- In the BCSA Bodycam footage, 122110⁴², it can be seen that the officer, referred to as Officer Ross, through some means, is redirected to the AGR area.
 - In the footage at 18:18:10 it seems that this officer is called Ross, so this is used as his name for now.

⁴¹ <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/shooter-trump-assassination-attempt-used-air-conditioning-unit-get-roo-rcna168519>

⁴² <https://rumble.com/v5a9zwd-maga-rally-in-butler-pa-bodycam-footage-bwc2-122110.html>

18:09? – Nicol / BuC-ESU team leaves their post (Time unclear)

- According to the AAR Nicol goes downstairs of AGR BLDG 6 to meet patrol to let them know suspect is around the AGR buildings on side of fairgrounds.
 - *The AAR has an internal contradiction where at 18:06 it is stated Crooks was spotted northwards towards Sheetz, now it is stated that he is southwards towards fairgrounds.*
- On page 13 of the AAR it shows Nicol meeting Uniformed Patrol at Exit 9 of AGR BLDG 6
 - This contradicts with the testimony that Nicol went out to look for Crooks with his team members after losing sight of him as testified by Col Paris.
 - This contradicts with an X post that claims that Nicol was locked out of the AGR buildings because he forgot his access card. Apparently his team mate went down to open the door for him.
- 1 Marked vehicle and unmarked vehicle pull in together. This information is added under the section that describes Nicol meeting with uniformed patrol after spotting Crooks.
 - *Most likely it refers to vehicles that arrive at 18:09:02 which falls in the timeline of that AAR, 18:06 – 18:12. There were no vehicles on the west side as seen in Bodycam 122104.*
- In the CNN article Nicol testified that after spotting Crooks, he *'bounded down the stairs in an attempt to keep eyes on the suspect'*. Nicol further claims that he pushed a door open and saw two officers who pulled up outside AGR. He then shouted at them where he'd last seen the suspect. The officers took off on foot in opposite directions around the sprawling AGR complex. Trump was already on the stage according to Nicol.
- According to bodycam footage the BeC-ESU was under the impression that Nicol was still in the AGR BLDG 6 in the open window.
- Butler County DA Richard Goldinger said in an interview with NewsNation⁴³ that the counter snipers never left their position in second floor of the AGR BLDG 3. He claims that the counter snipers did not have an angle on the roof and could not see Crooks on it.

18:07 – AGR buildings are surrounded

- In the command post, Lenz radioed to the tactical units that local police had the AGR buildings surrounded. "They should have a fairly good perimeter. If you get another visual let me know." (WP Timeline)

18:08:03 – Crooks caught on film on AGR Buildings

- Crooks is caught on camera on top on the AGR Buildings rooftop on the BCSU Bodycam footage, 122111⁴⁴, of an officer, referred as Officer 2.
 - *It is possible that Officer 2 was looking for Crooks as per the message that he went towards Sheetz.*
- Crooks is seen dropping down on the connection between AGR BLDG 9 and 2.

18:08:17 – Crooks climbs onto AGR BLDG 2

- Crooks is seen throwing a backpack onto AGR BLDG 2 and he follows after. He climbs onto AGR BLDG 2's roof and seems to pick up the backpack.

⁴³ <https://x.com/NewsNation/status/1816664235432202401>

⁴⁴ <https://rumble.com/v5ah1bu-maga-rally-in-butler-pa-bodycam-footage-bwc2-122111.html>

18:08:22 – A radio message is received that there is someone on the roof of AGR Buildings

- Officer 2 spots Crooks running on the roof of AGR BLDG 2 and calls it in. You can see Officer 2 raising his hand towards his head, likely indicating that he was interacting with the radio.
 - In the next 20 seconds you can see in Officer 2's footage another officer walking northwards underneath Crooks. It is easier to see in a stabilized video.
- In the BCSU Dashcam footage, 010482, released by Butler Police Department, you can hear a radio message, "Someone is on the roof."
 - Note that this dashcam footage is of Officer Ross's patrol car.
 - Note that this dashcam footage is 1 second behind.

18:08:34 – Two vehicles stops at the Water tower

- Officer Ross stops his vehicle next to another patrol car next to the Water tower, while both vehicles were orientated towards the AGR buildings.
 - Officer Ross was in a black uniform, while the other, referred as SP 1, was a state trooper
- A second later Officer 2 says over the radio: "I have someone on the roof with white shorts".
- Inside the local command, Lenz radioed to clarify that the person on the roof was not a police officer.
- "We do not have assets on the roof," he said. "That is not us."
 - The precise time of this message is unknown.
- Lenz did not make a cellphone call to the USSS command post, an LEO said.

18:08:37 – Video footage of Crooks on the AGR Buildings

- James Copenhaver, who eventually was gravely wounded in the shooting, accidentally films Crooks running on top of the AGR Building Rooftops.
 - The footage runs from 18:08:37 to 18:08:51
- Two seconds later, at 18:08:39, Officer Ross remarks to SP 1: "See that dude running?", referring to Crooks on the AGR BLDG 2 rooftop. They drive towards the AGR buildings to confront Crooks.

18:08:51 – Crooks stops next to the gap between AGR BLDG 3 & 6

- Cross referencing the Copenhaver footage and BCSU Bodycam footage, 122111, it seems that Crooks came to a stop next to the connection between AGR BLDG 3 & 6. Right next to the buildings here are a couple of pine trees in front of the connection.

18:09:03 – Two vehicles stop next to the AGR Buildings

- The two vehicles come to a complete stop after driving towards the AGR to confront Crooks.
 - As Officer Ross climbed out of the vehicle he ran around the south side of AGR BLDG 6. At this point the Counter Sniper on the North Barn seemed to still be standing upright.
- A local officer radioed that he had a good view of the male on the roof. (WP Timeline)
 - The precise origin and second of the radio message is currently unknown and is thus unverified.

- Quote: “We got him. We don’t have him in custody yet, but he’s right straight in front of me by the pine tree standing upwards. He had a backpack.”

18:09:26 - A Third Vehicle arrives east of AGR

- In the Dayve Steward video you can see a third vehicle arriving where a third officer, Officer Tedeski, steps out. A few seconds later you can see Officer Ross saying something to another officer, Officer 4, on the south west side of AGR BLDG 6, before he turns around and walks to the east side of the building. Officer 4 went around the west side of AGR BLDG 6.
 - The third officer’s name seems to be Tedeski as seen later in the bodycam footage on his uniform.
 - The vehicle was an grey unmarked vehicle which stopped behind Officer Ross.

18:09:28? – Officers lose sight of Crooks

- After 25 seconds an officer radioed that they lost sight of him. (WP Timeline)
 - The precise origin and second of the radio message is currently unknown and is thus unverified.
- Quote: “Lost sight of him, trooper was chasing him, trying to follow him around the building,”

18:09:34 - Spectators see that Hercules 2 seems agitated

- In a video posted on Youtube⁴⁵, rally goers see that the USSS counter sniper teams seemed agitated compared to earlier the day. The Counter sniper team on the north barn is now seen crouching down and looking intently through the scopes of the sniper rifles.
 - Exact time Hercules 2 became alarmed is currently unknown.
- In Bodycam 122110, while Officer Ross runs around the south side of AGR BLDG 6, there were at least 6 ESU officers standing outside of the north barn. At 18:09:34 when Officer Ross turned around, these ESU officers are seen running into the north barn.
- In a video posted on social media⁴⁶, a woman in the middle stand sees the ESU running into the barn. At the end of this footage, there seem to be people running eastwards away from the AGR Buildings, most likely sensing the agitation of the officers.

18:09:35 - Spectators spot Crooks on the roof

- Spectators on the west side of the AGR buildings saw Crooks on the roof of AGR BLDG 6. Crooks was on a prone position, occasionally lifting himself on his elbows and knees to crawl forward. A video released by the Associated Press, seems to be the earliest evidence when the spectators first saw Crooks. You can see Officer 4, walking towards Officer Ross at the start of the footage.

18:09:58 - Hercules 1 reposition towards the north

- According to a video posted by The New York Times⁴⁷, it can be seen that Hercules 1 counter sniper team, the team on the south barn, was repositioning themselves to face towards the

⁴⁵ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GHeGlc5wJg4>

⁴⁶ https://www.tiktok.com/@dark_hive/video/7393098736752233774

⁴⁷ <https://www.nytimes.com/2024/07/16/us/trump-shooting-secret-service-snipers.html>

north, where the AGR buildings is. In this video you can also see spectators on the middle stand pointing towards the AGR buildings.

- The reorientation is confirmed in the BCSU bodycam footage, 122104⁴⁸. You see the south team, Hercules 1, reposition themselves. At this time the officer of this footage, Officer Pearson, is walking northwards behind the stands of the rally, sipping a drink. [18:10:11 BCT]
 - Take note that the time in this bodycam footage is not synchronized. The timestamp runs 13 seconds early. It should have shown 18:09:58 instead at the top right at this specific moment. [BCT stands for Bodycam time]
 - The bodycam footage is synchronized by using the moment the woman in the white dress flinches at 18:11:33 [18:11:46 BCT]
 - Take note that this bodycam footage has no sound.

18:10:13 - People alert Officers of Crooks

- In the AP footage, you can hear spectators trying to get the attention of the officers. Quote: "Right here, right on the roof."
 - *If you listen to comments of the spectators, Officer 4 did not seem to have noticed Crooks at this point of time.*
 - *It seems that at this point of time the spectators did not notice a rifle.*

18:10:27 - People show an Officer Crooks on the Roof

- A video licensed by ABC News⁴⁹ picks up almost immediately where the video by Associated Press ended (3 seconds later to be precise) from a different angle. A man, with a white hat, grey shirt and white shorts show Officer 4 where Crooks is lying on the roof of AGR BLDG 6. Officer 4 leaves the screen on the left towards the northwest.
 - The sound of the footage is ruined by the commentator, but you can faintly hear Trump talk about "going off the teleprompter" to help synchronize the video to a centralized timeline. **(If there is a better version of this footage please msg me with the link)**

18:10:54 - Police officers are hoisted up

- In the BCSU bodycam footage Officer Ross is hoisted up with the help of Officer Tedeski at the east side of the building in the nook where AGR BLDG 6 and AGR BLDG 3 connects. When Officer Ross crested the lip of the roof, he apparently sees Crooks with a weapon. The officer lets go of the roof and drops down.
 - The building directly to the north of AGR BLDG 6 is called AGR BLDG 3 as seen on the doors in bodycam footage that says AGR BLDG 3.
 - In the top left corner the backpack is seen for a few frames.
 - **The officer claimed later that Crooks pointed a gun towards him.**
- **Witnesses on the ground, among them Greg Smith, claims that no confrontation took place as reported by The Gateway Pundit.⁵⁰**
 - **Greg Smith: "I saw him [the sniper] right before he shots happened, and I didn't see him turn around and confront anyone. I never saw that and it didn't happen."**

⁴⁸ <https://rumble.com/v5ahd5p-maga-rally-in-butler-pa-bodycam-footage-bwc2-122104.html>

⁴⁹ <https://abcnews.go.com/US/trump-rally-gunman-thomas-matthew-crooks-shooting/story?id=112027831>

⁵⁰ <https://www.thegatewaypundit.com/2024/07/assassin-eye-witness-police-are-lying-about-rooftop/>

18:11:03 - Radio message about the weapon is sent

- That Crooks has a gun was apparently reported over the radio. You can see Officer Ross, while running away was talking into a radio as seen in the Steward video.
 - “He’s armed,” Officer Ross said. “I saw him, he’s laying down.” (WP Timeline)
 - “He’s got a long gun,” Officer Ross said again into the radio.
 - FBI Deputy Director Abbate testified that Officer Ross was the person who reported this.

18:11:13 - Officer Pearson starts to run

- In the BCSU Bodycam footage Officer Pearson starts to run northwards. He passes Hercules 1 on his right-hand side and the middle stand to his left. [18:11:29 BCT]

18:11:21 - People start to panic at the AGR Area

- According to source 2, the rally-goers hear that a man has a gun and people start to panic.
- In source 4 no uniformed officers is seen at the west side of the AGR Buildings. There was an undercover LEO or USSS agent with a long white beard there seen typing/looking on a Cellphone
- According to interview of civilian Greg Smith, they could clearly see a rifle⁵¹. Quote: “He had a rifle, we could clearly see him with a rifle. Absolutely.”
 - Greg Smith also said: “...the police are down there running around on the ground we're like ‘Hey man, there's guy on the roof with a rifle.’”
 - Greg Smith is seen at the beginning of Source 4 pointing towards the roof as mentioned in the interview.
- Lenz radioed the Butler County Quick Response Force (QRF), a team responsible for responding to any potential coordinated attack on Trump. (WP Timeline)
 - “QRF from command. You need to deploy to the AGR building,” Lenz said. He added, using shorthand for Butler Township police, “BT has a male on the roof with a long gun. They have made contact with him.”
 - As he was passing on the directive, Lenz interrupted himself: “Shots fired,”

18:11:33 – First Shot Fired

- According to video evidence (Source 3) Crooks seems to be lying still on the roof of AGR BLDG 6 and aiming his weapon towards Trump for a few seconds, before shots were fired. In this footage the weapon was clearly visible.
- The first shot nicks Trump’s Ear. Trump flinched and a short moment later touched his ear.
 - *This shot hits the Hydraulic pipe that held up one of the large speakers.*
- The Acting Director of the USSS Ronald Rowe⁵² has shown images what the south counter sniper team possibly could have seen before the first shot was fired.
- According to the AAR page 16, Nicol was in the North West corner of AGR BLDG 2. The Butler sniper was still on his post on the second floor of AGR BLDG 3

⁵¹ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FtFABFnNXtE>

⁵² Rowe Testimony - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_vrfDQKZhVQ

18:11:34 – Two more shots fired

- Trump realizes the danger and goes down with USSS tackling him to safety.
 - According to Mike Bell⁵³, one of these shots wounds a spectator, David Dutch, on the right stand.

18:11:37 – More shots fired

- Five rapid shots are fired.
 - According to Mike Bell, the first or second shot from this rapid volley wounds a second spectator, James Copenhaver, on the right stand.
 - According to Mike Bell, the sixth shot from this rapid volley was the shot that hit Corey Comperatore, a spectator on the left stand, due to a lack of signature on the lectern microphone.
- There is evidence that the sound signature of the first 3 shot grouping differs from the 5 shot grouping which would imply two different weapons being fired.
- A single shot after the 5 shot volley was fired.
 - From media sources a BuC-ESU member, next to the fence, took a shot towards Crooks and startled him. Some media sources claim that the shot hit Crooks' rifle, interrupted him and possibly wounding him.

18:11:48 – A single shot takes out Crooks

- A single shot takes out Crooks as seen in the video footage Source 4.
- From media sources it seems the south counter sniper team, Hercules 1, took the shot 16 seconds after the first shot was fired
 - *It is unclear why Hercules 1 did not take a shot on Crooks earlier. From multiple sources it could be seen that Hercules 1 had already trained their weapons towards the AGR Buildings or at least northwards.*
- There was confusion for at least 40 seconds at the podium where one agent says "Are you ready, on you, Move!" and nothing happening. This happens numerous times.

18:12:08 – First bodycam starts recording sound

- In bodycam footage BWC2-122110, Officer Ross is seen touching the bodycam and audio starts to record. Up to this point no released bodycam footage had recorded sound before this point of time. The only official footage that had audio recordings was the dashcam footage of M500-010482

18:12:11 – Shooter Down

- A local LEO reports over the radio that the shooter is down according to the Johnson Timeline.
- At this point of time there were no uniformed officers at the west side of the AGR. There was an undercover LEO with a long white beard there as seen in the beginning of Source 4.

⁵³ Mike Bell - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ihDIQEbUAPI>

18:12:14 – USSS Agents remove Trump from the stage

- A callout is made that the shooter is down at the stage, which energizes the USSS agents to get Trump off the stage. Trump asks for his shoes and before stepping off the stage he raises his fists and shouts “Fight!”
 - There exists footage that shows that a shoe or shoes are thrown off the stage, so Trump did not get to wear the shoes again before being ushered into the vehicle.

18:12:28 – First Officers climb over the fence

- The first two officers climb over the inner fence of the inner security perimeter on their way towards the AGR buildings. One of them, state trooper Graham, injures his hand with this action.

18:13:23 – Nicol leaves AGR BLDG 6

- In the BCSU dashcam footage, Nicol leaves the AGR BLDG 6 from Exit 9. He is not wearing full gear compared to other agents on the ground and is wielding a pistol. This is the first time that Nicol is caught on video.
- Around this moment the Butler QRF team arrives with a vehicle next to Building no.9. Six ESU disembark from the vehicle.

18:13:41 - Trump leaves rally site

- Trump and his protective detail left the rally site. He was evacuated to Butler Memorial Hospital.

18:15:02 – Nicol attempts to reenter the building

- In the Dashcam footage, Nicol attempts to reenter the AGR BLDG 6 by the same exit, Exit 9, but seems to not have an access card.
- **In an X post it was said that the second sniper on the second floor of AGR leaves his post to help Nicol who forgot his access card.**
 - *The assumption originally was that this happened before the shooting, but in this footage we can see the issue of the access card happened afterwards.*

18:15:07 - Law enforcement officers are helped onto the roof

- Three ESU and two local LEOs are helped up onto the roof of the AGR Buildings in the next two minutes, which includes Officer Ross. They are hoisted up at the same place where the Officer Ross was first hoisted up and confronted Crooks. This group of officers are the first to engage and approach Crooks on the roof.
 - The first officer is helped on the roof at 18:15:07 as per the BCSU bodycam footage, 122109⁵⁴.
 - The last officer, Officer Ross, is helped on the roof at 18:16:52

18:15:28 – 5 People enter through Exit 9

- Nicol, 2 State Troopers, a person with a white shirt and a uniformed officer enter AGR BLDG 6 through Exit 9.

⁵⁴ <https://rumble.com/v5a9ahg-maga-rally-in-butler-pa-bodycam-footage.html>

- Nicol rushed and entered the building first.
- *It is unclear who opened the door or if there was someone inside or not.*

18:15:35 – Officer attempts to disperse spectators

- Officer shouts: “If you are not Law Enforcement, get out of here.”
- A few moments later a USSS agent confronts Dayve Steward.
 - According to Grassley bodycam footage, the USSS agent later stated that two rally-goers filmed both the agent and the gunman. The USSS agent was of the opinion that these individuals should be detained to clear up everything.
 - Steward was one of the individuals the agent was referring to in the Grassley bodycam footage.

18:15:43 – Officers engage Crooks

- An officer scream “Let me see your hands!” and repeats the order two more times over the next 14 seconds. Officers are seen pointing their weapons to the position of Crooks.
 - *This is likely the first interaction between LEOs on the roof with Crooks post-shooting.*

18:16:38 - Officers approach Crooks’ Body

- Two ESU and two Local LEOs approach Crooks’ body on AGR BLDG 6.
- A third ESU was seen inspecting the roof of AGR BLDG 3.

18:16:50 - Officers reach Crooks’ Body

- In BWC2-122104, you can see officers reach Crooks. One kneels down and seems to move the weapon away from Crooks’ body. It is bit unclear but it seems that the first LEO with the nametag Shaffer was the first person to reach Crooks, who took the weapon away.

18:17:10 - Crooks Down

- On the Radio: “On the roof, reporting [...] one down.”

18:17:32 - A Large group of LEOs and ESU enter AGR BLDG 6

- A group of people of different backgrounds and units enter the AGR BLDG 6 through Exit 9 to secure the area. In total it seemed to be around 12 in total. Among these individuals was state trooper Graham, the person who injured his hand.
 - In BCSA bodycam footage it was claimed that an officer received a message that someone was looking out of a window.
- The personell outside of the AGR buildings was asked to hold the perimeter until the area is secured.

18:17:46 – Cable ties were attached to Crooks

- LEOs roll over Crooks and Officer Shaffer zipties Crooks hands behind his back.

18:22:29 – LEOs complain about Security and USSS

- Three officers are heard complaining about Security and the USSS, as seen in bodycam footage BWC2-122125, while standing near AGR BLDG 9. One of them is Officer 2, the person who complained with strong language.

- 122125: "I ... told them they need to post the guys ... over here. I told them that the ... Secret Service, I told them that... Tuesday."
- 122125: "I thought you guys were on the roof."
- Officer 2: "No, we're inside."
- Officer 2: "I wasn't even concerned about it, because I thought someone's on the Roof. I thought that's... How we, they, kinda... How could they lose a guy walking back there if they were on the roof?"
- 122125: "They were inside."
- Officer 2: "In the Building?!"
- Another Officer: "Why weren't they [on the roof]?"
- 122125: "Because I thought we were gonna post guys over here. I talked to the Secret Service guys, like: 'Yeah no problem, we're gonna post guys over here.'"

18:25? – Nicol is back on his post

- In the AAR page 18, it shows that Nicol returned to his post.
 - The AAR does not state when Nicol has returned to his post, only that at 18:25 he was back at his post.

18:27:44 – Two BeC-ESU's arrive at AGR

- Two BeC-ESU's one of whom is Medic Michel Nicol, the wife of Nicol, and the other called Richard arrive at the AGR buildings. These two officers are the main subjects in the Grassley Bodycam Footage and is captured from the perspective of Richard.
- The two BeC-ESUs are let into AGR BLDG 6 through Exit 9. After talking to other officers in the building they leave to climb onto the roof.
- After leaving an officer props open the door of Exit 9 to allow easy movement.

18:29:12 – Two BeC-ESU climb onto AGR BLDG 6

- The two BeC-ESUs climbed with a black tactical ladder onto the roof of AGR BLDG 3 as seen in Grassley Bodycam footage. [GBT 18:30:52]
 - Note that the bodycam footage is not synchronised and runs 1 minute and 40 seconds faster than it should. This event was at 18:29:12, but on the bodycam it shows 18:30:52 for example. The time was synchronised to the BCSA 122125 footage. The Grassley Bodycam Time will be added in Brackets
 - Note that the events caught by the BeC-ESU bodycam and events stated in the AAR differs by 4 minutes.

18:30:17 – General clearing by BeC-ESU with other agencies of surrounding buildings

- Mike calls over a person called 'Coke' to form a perimeter and asks that the people should get prepped to clear the building.

18:32:11 – Pronounced DOA by Alpha18

- In the Grassley bodycam footage, after Michel Nicol examined Crooks body, Richard used his codename Alpha18 to call into command that the suspect is deceased. [GBT 18:33:51]

18:34:14 – DOA Photo sent

- In the Grassley bodycam footage, it seems that Richard uses his phone to take a photo of Crooks and sends it through as stated in the AAR. [GBT 18:36:54]

18:36:34 – Grassley Bodycam footage cuts off

- The Grassley bodycam footage of the BeC-ESU has 10 minutes 55 seconds of missing footage. [GBT 18:38:14]

- Moments before the Grassley bodycam footage cuts off, Richard is heard touching the bodycam.

18:46? – [?] from Washington Co. ESU pats suspect down finds cellphone and device

- From the pockets of Crooks a cellphone and RF transmitter was found byt the BuC-ESU whose bodycam footage was released by Grassley. The battery is removed from the transmitter and a picture was taken of these items.
 - This event falls within the period where the bodycam footage was not recording. The time nor the event can be verified. The time is based on the After Action report.

18:47:29 – Grassley Bodycam footage continues recording

- The Grassley bodycam resumes recording. [GBT 18:49:09]
- In the bottom left corner of the Grassley bodycam the RF transmitter can be seen when the recording resumes.

18:48:07 – The RF transmitter is called in

- Mike is heard calling in on the radio the RF transmitter that was found. [GBT 18:49:47]
- Quote: “It is a remote control device. It is gray in color, about five to six inches tall, about inch and a half, two inches wide. Powered by a 9 volt battery.”

18:31:25 – Last time a person is seen on the Roof

- In the dashcam footage, this moment is the last time a person was seen walking on the roof of AGR BLDG 6

19:33:14 – Murcko step out of AGR BLDG 6

- A man with binoculars around his neck and wearing a white shirt walks out of AGR BLDG 6 through Exit 9 as seen in the Dashcam footage. This is the first time this person was spotted in the dashcam footage and he was not caught entering the building. This person is confirmed to be Murcke by Chris Martenson.

19:33:38 – Murcko walks back into AGR BLDG 6

- Murcko returns into the AGR BLDG 6 through Exit 9

18:35:01 – Officers meet in front of Exit 9

- A large number of officers meet in front of Exit 9. This is the largest group of officers seen in a single footage present on the screen at the same time. It seemed like the officers were holding an informal meeting.
- It was the first time K9 units were spotted.

18:37:23 – K9 units sweep the AGR Buildings

- K9 units can be seen entering the AGR Buildings. The first K9 team enters AGR BLDG 6 through Exit 9. The officer checks the cabinet at the door after the dog seems to smell something, but nothing was found in the cabinet.

18:36:42 – K9 team goes north

- One K9 team went north in the direction of Whitestown Rd

18:37:58 – Second K9 team enters AGR BLDG 6

- The second K9 team enters through Exit 9

19:38:38 – Murcko steps out of the AGR again

- Murcko leaves the AGR BLDG 6 for the second time and leaves towards the north.

19:42:02 – Murcko walks with a USSS agent

- Murcko returns from the north and is seen walking and discussing something with a USSS agent. It seems to be the same USSS agent who first arrived on the scene and the roof. They both leave to the south.

19:45? – Device and Face sent by [?]. Number provided by EOD.

- [?] sent phone number as per the ARR

19:46? – Facial recognition photo sent by [?] to [?]

- As reported in the ARR

19:48:00 – K9 team returns from the North

- A K9 team returns from the north sniffing the motorbike. After the motorbike got attention from the dog, two people conducts a search on the motorbike, but does not find anything.

19:50:05 – Arrival of FBI

- An FBI agent and two men dressed in white shirts, black pants and holdings folders arrive at the AGR Buildings.

19:52:02 – Murcko returns

- Murcko returns and waits at the Picnic table in front of AGR BLDG 6. Most of the time he was on the phone, calling people and reading texts. He occasionally enters the AGR buildings through Exit 9.
 - *He seemed to be waiting for someone.*
 - *He seemed to pointing to the second floor or the roof to another officer at 19:57:29*

19:54:40 – First K9 team leaves the Building

18:59:41 – Second K9 team leaves the Building

19:59:45 – Nicol leaves the AGR Buildings

- Nicol leaves the AGR buildings with his equipment. Murcko joins him and walks off the screen together.

20:06:38 – Dashcam ends recording

- Dashcam M500-010482 ends recording. This is the latest video evidence of the day available to the public

2024-07-16

FBI Releases Crime Scene

- In the Clay Higgins report it was noted that the speed of the release is faster than expected.
- The FBI cleaned up biological evidence from the crime scene that is apparently unheard of according to Clay Higgins.

- Quote: *“I interviewed several First Responders who expressed everything from surprise to dismay to suspicion regarding the fact that the FBI released the crime scene so early after J13.
It should be noted that the FBI was fully aware of the fact that Congress would be investigating J13. The FBI does not exist in a vacuum. They had to know that releasing the J13 crime scene would injure the immediate observations of any following investigation.”*
- The FBI made a public statement that crime scenes was released on a rolling basis, but only after completing thorough processing of each location, exhausting all efforts to collect any items of evidentiary value.
 - In the statement it was mentioned that, quote: *“the FBI did release the crime scene at the Butler Farm grounds, as well as the AGR complex to the property owners in a timely fashion.”*
 - The FBI claimed that the final scene that was released was seven days after the attack.
- The FBI made a public statement which again reiterated that *“established evidentiary policies and procedures”* was followed to release the crime scenes to the property owner.
 - In the statement it was mentioned that *all relevant evidence was collected before biological material was removed.*

2024-07-22

USSS director testifies

- Director Kimberly Cheatle testifies⁵⁵ before the U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Accountability. This was the first congressional hearing.
 - Video length: 04:53:39

2024-07-23

Commissioner of Pennsylvania State Police testifies

- Col. Christopher Paris, commissioner of the PSP and Patrick Yoes, Fraternal Order of Police national president testifies⁵⁶ before the House Homeland Security Committee.
 - Video length: 04:34:45

FBI releases Crooks' Body for Cremation

- Without informing anyone, the FBI released the body for cremation 10 days after the shooting. The first time this was found out was on 2024-08-05 when Clay Higgins requested to inspect the body.
 - Quote: *“On J23, Crooks was gone. Nobody knew this until Monday, August 5, including the County Coroner, law enforcement, Sheriff, etc. Yes, Butler County Coroner technically had legal authority over the body, but I spoke with the Coroner, and he would have*

⁵⁵ Cheatle Testimony - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wgl71_b7-LM

⁵⁶ Paris Testimony - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PtxiEU_Q27c

never released Crooks' body to the family for cremation or burial without specific permission from the FBI."

- As of August 5 the coroner's report and autopsy report was late.
 - It is unknown if the Autopsy report is already released.

2024-07-25

Sen. Chuck Grassley releases bodycam footage

- Sen. Chuck Grassley releases the first bodycam footage of the scene on top of the AGR Buildings. The bodycam footage is from the perspective of BeC-ESU officer Richard.

2024-07-29

Sen. Chuck Grassley releases reports

- Text messages, bodycam footage, law enforcement briefing materials, detail plan and an after-action report – all obtained up to this date by Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) of the assassination attempt was released.

2024-07-30

Acting USSS director testifies

- Ronald Rowe, USSS acting director and FBI deputy director Paul Abbate testifies before the joint hearing conducted by the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and the Senate Judiciary Committee.
 - Video length: 03:17:33

2024-08-08

Sen. Chuck Grassley releases Gun Range Records

- Sen. Chuck Grassley releases visitor logs of Clairton Sportsmen's Club.

Butler Township Police releases bodycam footage

- Butler Township Police releases the first batch of bodycam footage. Among the footage that is released is the following:
 - BWC2-122110 – The officer who was boosted to the roof, Officer Ross.
 - BWC2-122125 – The officer who led the BeC-ESU officers to Exit 9 in the BeC-ESU footage released earlier.
 - M500-010482 – The dashcam footage of the vehicle parked in front of Exit 9

2024-08-10

Butler Township Police releases bodycam footage

- Butler Township Police releases the second batch of bodycam footage. Among the footage that is released is the following:
 - BWC2-122104 – An officer who was behind the stands when shots were fired.
 - BWC2-122109 – An officer who held the perimeter on the west side of the building after the shooting.
 - BWC2-122111 – The officer who first reported Crooks on the roof.
 - BWC2-122117 – An officer who held the perimeter on the east side of the building after the shooting.

2024-08-11

Butler Township Police releases bodycam footage

- Butler Township Police releases the third batch of bodycam footage. Among the footage that is released is the following:
 - BWC2-122111 – Additional Footage
 - BWC2-122117 – Additional Footage

2024-08-15

Congressman Clay Higgins releases Preliminary Report

- Congressman Clay Higgins (R-LA), a member of the Task Force on the Attempted Assassination of Donald J. Trump, released his preliminary investigative report⁵⁷, following his trip to Butler, PA on August 4th, 5th and 6th.
 - The Report was dated 2024/08/12

2024-08-26

House Republicans Host a Forum

- House Republicans host a forum on the attempted assassination of former President Donald Trump.
 - Video length: 03:17:33
- Members willing to testify to the Forum
 - Dan Bangino, former USSS Agent
 - Erik Prince, founder of the private military contractor Blackwater
 - Ben Shaffer, operator of Washington regional SWAT

⁵⁷ <https://clayhiggins.house.gov/2024/08/15/higgins-releases-preliminary-investigative-report/>