Cleveland Family Condemns Police over Killing 12-year-old Son



Cleveland, November 28 (RHC)-- Meanwhile, the family of a 12-year-old Black boy shot and killed by a white police officer in the U.S. state of Ohio says surveillance video of the incident shows that if the officer had not acted so rapidly, their son would still be alive.

Tamir Rice was shot on Saturday and was rushed to a local hospital, but was pronounced dead on Sunday morning. The police said the boy refused to raise his hands and tried to pull a fake gun from his waistband outside the Cudell Recreation Center in Cleveland.

However, the video released on Wednesday night shows Rice being shot within one and a half to two seconds of a police patrol car pulling up near him.

The video, containing stuttered images with no sound, shows the boy walking and pointing his fake gun in different directions. He then enters a gazebo before officers arrive in their patrol car. The first officer, Timothy Loehmann, gets out of the car and shoots the boy instantaneously.

The shooting incident has sparked anger among the residents of the community. The U.S. is already reeling from the aftershocks of a grand jury decision over the death of another Black teenager in

Ferguson, Missouri.

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