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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Dallas County Criminal District Attorney John Creuzot Issues Statement Regarding Dallas Police Department's Uncategorized Digital Files

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"Let me begin by saying I am continuing to engage in a constant dialogue with DPD Chief Eddie Garcia, and we agree this situation deserves our immediate attention.

The Dallas County Criminal District Attorney's Office was not made aware of the 52,000 uncategorized digital files at the Dallas Police Department until media reports surfaced this week. Of course, we would have liked to have been made aware and perhaps should have been made aware of this issue when it was initially discovered in November 2022, but since learning of the issue, I have come to understand these materials are believed to be more of an administrative nature rather than investigative. However, due to the volume of uncategorized files, it is also possible that some contain investigative materials. If so, DPD has been instructed to immediately send that information to my office.

Furthermore, regarding recent court proceedings involving Detective Christine Ramirez, my office is now working with Dallas Police to run a complete audit of all of her files since she began investigative duties, regardless of whether she was the lead investigator or not.

We owe the community our best efforts to ensure that justice is served on every allegation of criminal conduct alleged to have occurred in Dallas, Texas."