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The Black Shield Police Association does not support the deployment of militarized federal agents to Cleveland and other cities across the nation. We believe that deployment of an intentionally secretive federal militarized police force, displays overreach, and is not supported by Constitutional law or norms.

Our American values do not align with forces who are not accountable or easily identifiable to the local citizens they purport to protect. Public safety officials must be transparent to hold each other accountable and to provide transparency to the citizens we help, protect and guide through dangerous situations.

Sending militarized police to Cleveland and other cities across the nation will only serve to continue to destroy the already tense line of trust between our community members, our families, and us as law enforcement officers.

We respectfully ask that this action is reconsidered.

Respectfully,

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