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The following tweets appeared on March 11, 2015.

Which tweet is the best source of information about the police chief’s resignation? Explain why.

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