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Media Advisory

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Subject: Pursuit with Officer Involved Shooting

Case Number: 15-005932

Details:

On April 26, 2015 at 2:50 a.m., an officer attempted to stop a vehicle in the area of Edinger Ave and Edwards St for a vehicle code violation. The vehicle, a 1996 green Honda Accord, failed to pull over and accelerated away at a high rate of speed westbound on Edinger Ave. A check conducted on the license plate of the suspect vehicle showed it to be a reported stolen vehicle. The officer went in pursuit of the vehicle, which continued to flee at a high rate of speed. The suspect vehicle made a left turn onto southbound Saybrook St from Edinger Ave, failed to stop at two stop signs and continued south towards Davenport Dr. At this time, another officer joined the pursuit, which continued westbound on Davenport Dr and then northbound on Baruna St to Nalu Cir.

The suspect vehicle stopped at the end of the cul-de-sac of Nalu Cir. and the officers conducted a high risk car stop. As the officers exited their vehicle and began giving commands to the occupants of the suspect vehicle, the vehicle turned around and sped towards the officers. One officer fired several shots at the vehicle striking it several times. The officers were able to avoid being struck by the suspect vehicle. The suspect vehicle continued past the officers and fled the area. Orange County Sheriff's Department air support unit, "Duke," was called to assist ground units. At approximately 4:05 a.m., "Duke," located the suspect vehicle in the area of Edgewater Ln and Courtney Dr. The vehicle was unoccupied. Numerous patrol units and a K-9 unit conducted a search of the area, but did not locate any suspects. No officers were injured in the incident.

The driver of the suspect vehicle is described as a black male in his twenties, with an approximate one inch afro style haircut. The two passengers are described as male with no further description on them.

As per our protocol, the Orange County Sheriff's Department has been called to investigate the shooting. Their investigators are conducting an investigation into the incident and all further press inquiries and information will be handled by their department.