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OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

Riverside, CA – On Sunday, October 14, 2012, at about 2247 hours, The Riverside Police Department Communications Division received a call from a subject who said he had a handgun and was going to kill himself. Uniformed police officers responded to the subject's apartment in the 3700 block of Myers Street in the City of Riverside.

When officers arrived at the subject's door, they identified themselves, and attempted to make verbal contact through the partially open front door. The officers got no verbal response from anyone inside the apartment. Officers continued to try and make verbal contact but there was no response. A male subject then appeared from inside the apartment holding in his hand what appeared to be a black semi-automatic handgun and was pointing it at the officers. In his other hand, the subject was holding a large kitchen knife. The subject advanced towards the officers. Fearing for their safety, four officers discharged their firearms at the subject. The subject went down on the walkway outside his apartment and medical aid, which was standing by in the area, was immediately summoned. Riverside Fire Department personnel and paramedics from American Medical Response provided immediate medical attention but the subject was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Detectives from the Robbery / Homicide Unit responded along with technicians from the Forensic Unit and are currently investigating this incident. A black Airsoft handgun and a large knife were recovered at the scene. The identity of the 23 year old male is being withheld pending notification of next of kin. The Riverside County Coroner's Office will release the identity of the subject.

The Police Department is requesting anyone who may have information regarding this case, to contact Detective Rick Cobb at 951-353-7135 or Detective Rick Wheeler at 951-353-7134.

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