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San Diego Police Department

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SAN DIEGO POLICE INVESTIGATE THE ATTEMPT MURDER OF A POLICE OFFICER AND OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN JAMACHA LOMITA

On Monday May 2, 2016, at approximately 10:45 p.m., an unknown suspect stepped out of a white Toyota Corolla and fired several gunshots at a plainclothes San Diego Police Detective. The detective, assigned to the San Diego Police Gang Unit, was in an unmarked vehicle and was following up on information of gang activity in the area of Glencoe Drive and Jamacha Road. The police detective was not injured by the gunfire, but his vehicle was struck several times. Uniformed patrol officers quickly responded to the area and found the suspect vehicle driving west on 7700 Jamacha Road where they initiated a high-risk traffic stop of the suspect vehicle. During the traffic stop, an adult male exited the vehicle and started to flee.

A patrol officer, fearing for his life and the safety of other officers, fired one round from his service weapon. It is not known whether or not the suspect was injured by the gunfire. The suspect continued to evade officers as he fled through several backyards. Responding officers quickly established a perimeter in an attempt to locate the suspect believed to be armed and dangerous, but were unable to locate him. Two adult male occupants and a female who remained in the vehicle were taken into custody. The female suspect, 31-year-old Kimberly Denise Hooker, was booked in Las Colinas Female Detention Facility for attempt murder for her role in the shooting. The two male occupants were arrested and booked for weapon charges and a probation violation. Their role in the shooting has not yet been determined. They are still being investigated as to their involvement in the incident.

San Diego Police Department Homicide Detectives continue to investigate and collect evidence at the scene which includes the collection of a handgun located inside the suspect vehicle.

The shooting officer is an 8-year veteran of the San Diego Police Department.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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