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POLICE INVESTIGATE SHOOTING IN LINCOLN PARK

(San Diego) San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating a shooting that resulted in the death of a 20-year-old male and injury to his companion.

Yesterday at 9:53 p.m., a patrol officer from Southeastern Division attempted to make a traffic stop in front of a market in the 5000 block of Logan Avenue. A police pursuit ensued, as the driver fled from officers to 4500 "F" Street, where three black male suspects exited the vehicle and fled on foot. One of the suspects was taken into custody a short distance from the termination point of the vehicle pursuit. Patrol officers responded back to the market, and found that a shooting had occurred in the parking lot of the market at 5080 Logan Avenue, seconds before the patrol officer initiated the traffic stop. During the shooting, two victims were struck by gunfire while sitting in their car. They transported themselves to a local hospital. One of the victims died as a result of the gunshot wound, while the second victim is being treated for a "non life threatening" gunshot wound.

The identity of the deceased victim, who was pronounced dead at 10:29 p.m., is not being released at this time. He is 20-years-old and is believed to be a resident of San Diego. His identity will be provided at a later date.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the fleeing vehicle was involved in the shooting. The motivation for the shooting has not yet been determined although it does appear to be gang related.

Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or crime Stoppers at (619) 580-8477.