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Officers and subject Identified in Nestor Neighborhood Officer Involved Shooting

San Diego—On Sunday, May 27, 2018, at 10:52 p.m., the San Diego Police Department Communications Center received a 911 call regarding a male with a knife at Hollister Street and Tocayo Ave. The caller stated the male was walking back and forth into the street and into traffic.

Upon arriving at the location, the first officer located the male who was being contacted by Border Patrol Agents. The Border Patrol Agents were flagged down by a citizen regarding the male. The male had a knife in his hand and did not comply with commands to drop the knife.

Additional San Diego Police Officers arrived on scene. The Agents and Officers drew their weapons while repeatedly giving the male commands to drop his knife. The subject refused to comply. Less lethal weapons, Bean Bags and Taser, were deployed but were not effective. Additional commands to the male to drop the knife were given and the subject again refused to comply. The subject advanced on the officers with the knife pointed at them. Fearing for their safety, three officers fired their weapons at the male striking him numerous times.

Unfortunately, the male was pronounced deceased at the scene.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to the scene and are currently investigating the incident.

The decedent has been identified as 42-year-old Raul Rivera of San Diego.

The involved officers are William Carter Torres, a one year veteran; Michael Martinez, a two year veteran and Samuel Rodriguez, a six year veteran. All are currently assigned to Southern Division.

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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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