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Officer Involved Shooting in the College East Neighborhood

San Diego—On Saturday June 23, 2018, at about 10:16 p.m., uniformed San Diego Police Officers responded to a radio call of a violent disturbance in the 4800 block of Rolando Ct. Officers attempted to contact the subject at his apartment. As the officers were at the front door, they could smell something burning coming from inside the location. Fire Fighters were called to the location to evaluate for a fire.

After getting no response at the front door, Officers and Fire Fighters made entry to the apartment to check for a possible fire. Once the front door opened, the officers and Fire Fighters were met with gun fire. The officers returned fire and exited the apartment. Two San Diego Police officers were struck with gun fire and were transported to local hospitals. One officer is in serious but stable condition and the other officer is in stable condition.

Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) personnel arrived at the scene and eventually made entry into the apartment and located the suspect inside deceased.

The two officers injured have been identified as Francisco Roman, a 3-year veteran (in stable condition at a local hospital), and Dan Bihum, a 18-year veteran (Released from the hospital today) of the San Diego Police Department. Officers Roman and Officer Shawn Boggeman, a 4-year veteran of the San Diego Police Department, returned fire. All officers are assigned to Eastern Division.

The suspect has been identified as 28-yearold Joe M. Darwish of San Diego.

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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