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Preliminary Statement on Police Involved Shooting– 12500 block of S. State

CHICAGO - On January 1, 2017, at approximately 2:20 a.m., 5th (Calumet) District Officers heard gunshots near the vicinity of 12000 S. State St. before observing a vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed fail to stop at a stop sign, prompting Officers to immediately activate their emergency equipment and curb the vehicle. As Officers approached, the vehicle again sped off, southbound on State St. Officers reentered their CPD vehicle and followed the lone male subject as he drove on the sidewalk for several blocks. The fleeing vehicle subsequently struck a car in traffic, as well as a parked car, and then caromed into the pursuing CPD Officer's vehicle. Officers quickly extracted themselves from their vehicle, in which the air-bags had deployed, and approached the offender, who was still seated in his car. As Officers approached the offender, they issued several verbal commands ordering the subject to exit his car. The offender ignored Officers and began to make furtive movements in the driver's compartment. As the Officers engaged the offender in an effort to physically remove him from his vehicle, the offender resisted and struggled with them, eventually breaking free of one of the Officer's grasp. Believing the offender had a gun, an Officer subsequently discharged his service weapon, striking the offender multiple times. The offender was immediately transported to an area hospital. Two Officers involved were also transported to an area hospital where they were treated and released for non-life threatening injuries sustained during the traffic collision.

Currently, the specifics of this incident, including the comprehensive use of force investigation are being investigated by the Independent Police Review Authority with the full cooperation of the CPD.

The officer(s) involved will be placed on routine administrative duties for a period of 30 days.

The matter remains under investigation and all further inquiries can be directed to the Independent Police Review Authority at (312) 746-3609.

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