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Preliminary Statement on Police Involved Shooting – 4500 Block of N. Kedzie (UPDATE)

CHICAGO – On January 15, 2017, at approximately 7:30 p.m., an off-duty Sergeant assigned to the 019th (Town Hall) District was walking with several acquaintances on the 4500 block of N. Kedzie when a group of individuals riding in a dark colored vehicle pulled up and instigated a verbal confrontation. The vehicle then pulled into a business parking lot, and doubled back towards the Sergeant and his friends to re-engage. At that moment, one of the occupants in the vehicle brandished a gun and opened fire at the Sergeant and his companions, prompting the Sergeant to draw his weapon and return fire at the armed offender, after which the offender's vehicle fled the scene. Neither the Sergeant nor his companions were struck by the offender's gunfire.

A short time later, Chicago Police were informed that a male subject had self-transported to Swedish Covenant Hospital suffering from a gunshot wound to his head. Suspecting the wounded male to be one of the offenders involved in the Kedzie shooting, Officers responded to the hospital and conducted a cursory search of the area which yielded a weapon. Further investigation confirmed the wounded male subject's involvement in the original incident.

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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