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La Habra Police Department Press Release

Suspect Who Rammed Vehicle through Building Shot by Police

La Habra, CA – September 26, 2019: At approximately 2:40 a.m., La Habra Police Officers were dispatched to the 1200 block of East La Habra Blvd., regarding a subject tampering with vehicles. When officers arrived, they found a rear gate open to an auto dealership, which was closed for business. Officers also discovered a black Cadillac Escalade inside the property with the engine running. The vehicle was occupied by one male suspect. Officers ordered the suspect out of the vehicle, but he refused to comply. The suspect at one point began displaying gang signs and told officers that he was armed with a firearm. Officers then used less lethal ammunitions in order to get the suspect to surrender. The suspect still refused to exit the vehicle and surrender.

The suspect the revved up the engine and began ramming unoccupied cars in an effort to get away. The suspect then rammed his vehicle into a metal roll up door and continued driving into the building. The suspect abruptly exited the building on the opposite side he entered from, driving toward officers on the perimeter. An officer involved shooting then occurred. All officers were not injured and the suspect in the black Cadillac was pronounced deceased on scene. The identity of the suspect is unknown at this time and will be identified by the Orange County Coroner's office.

As is customary in all Officer Involved Shootings, the District Attorney's Office was contacted to assist with the investigation. There are no outstanding suspects at this time and there is no additional threat to the public.

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