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Assistant Sheriff Tim Kelly Discusses June 20, 2017 OIS

On June 20, 2017 at approximately 12:14 a.m. LVMPD patrol officers were dispatched to an apartment complex located in the 1100 block of South Cimarron Road to investigate reports of a domestic disturbance. Details of the call stated a female and child were screaming from inside an apartment.

Arriving patrol officers located the apartment and initially did not make contact with anyone inside. Officers utilized the public address system from a patrol car and knocked on the door for approximately nine minutes before an adult female and child answered the door. Officers entered the apartment with the female's permission to check for additional people. Officers went through the apartment and encountered 28-year-old Pedro Ramirez hiding between clothes in the master bedroom closet; he was armed with a large knife. They gave Ramirez multiple verbal commands to drop the knife and backed out of the closet. Officers deployed two electronic control devices (ECD) on Ramirez which had little effect. Ramirez then aggressively charged out from the closet towards officers while holding the knife causing Officer Prior to shoot. Officers immediately rendered aid to Ramirez at the scene. He was transported to the UMC Trauma Center where he was later pronounced deceased.

A video of today's press conference can be viewed by clicking on the following link:
<https://youtu.be/eWFtSEWSIBc>

This is the 9th officer involved shooting for 2017. The LVMPD Force Investigation Team is currently investigating the officer's use of force in this incident. Their findings will be forwarded to the Clark County District Attorney for review.

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An examination of this incident is being conducted by the LVMPD Critical Incident Review Team. This review will focus on policy, tactics and training as it relates to this use of force.

This is an ongoing investigation. Anyone with any information is urged to contact the LVMPD Force Investigation Section at 702-828-8452. To remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 702-385-5555, visit www.crimestoppersofNV.com or text: "CRIMENV" + tip information to 274637 (CRIMES). Message and data rates may apply. Tips leading directly to an arrest or indictment processed through Crime Stoppers may be eligible for a cash reward.

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