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Metro Investigates 11th Officer Involved Shooting

On October 15, 2015 at approximately 8:30 a.m. an undercover officer observed a white 4-door vehicle driving erratically. It was quickly determined that the vehicle was reported as stolen. A short time later, patrol officers attempted to stop the vehicle in the area of Desert Inn Road and Rainbow Boulevard. The driver, a white female adult, refused to stop. Patrol officers did not pursue however a LVMPD helicopter continued to observe the vehicle.

The vehicle eventually stopped in a parking lot located in the 3400 block of South Jones Boulevard but the driver refused to exit. She could be seen by patrol officers waving a firearm in the air. Officers immediately began negotiating with the suspect for her surrender. As a result of the situation, SWAT and crisis negotiators were requested to the scene.

SWAT officers arrived and began to implement a tactical plan to immobilize the suspect's vehicle and prevent it from leaving the parking lot. While SWAT officers were approaching her car using an armored vehicle, the female shot at them. The officers returned fire, striking her. A tactical medic was on scene and pronounced the suspect deceased.

This is the 11th officer involved shooting of 2015. Per LVMPD policy, the identity of the officers involved will be released after 48 hours. The identity of the suspect, as well as the cause and manner of death, will be released by the Clark County Coroner's Office.

Captain Matt McCarthy of the LVMPD Office of Internal Oversight and Constitutional Policing provided a brief statement regarding this incident. The video can be viewed by clicking on the following link: <https://youtu.be/lmnQ3KLC658>.

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 at 274637 (CRIMES). Message and Data rates may apply.

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