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Detective Shoots Armed Suspect

On December 7, 2014, at approximately 5:05 a.m., detectives from the LVMPD Career Criminal Section were conducting surveillance on a suspect believed to be involved in multiple casino robberies. The suspect was believed to be armed with a firearm during the robberies and made mention of possibly having an explosive device.

Detectives followed the suspect to the Rio Hotel, located at 3700 West Flamingo Road. As detectives attempted to take the suspect into custody, a struggle ensued. One of the detectives deployed his ECD (Taser) at the suspect, however it was ineffective. The suspect then started reaching towards his waist and attempted to pull out a handgun. One of the detectives shot and struck the suspect, who was later pronounced deceased at the scene by arriving medical personnel.

The LVMPD Armor Section and the City of Las Vegas Fire and Rescue Bomb Squad responded and rendered the suspect and the crime scene safe.

The identity of the suspect as well as the cause and manner of death will be released by the Clark County Coroner's Office.

This is the 15th officer involved shooting of 2014. Per LVMPD policy the identity of the officer(s) involved will be released after 48 hours.

Captain Matt McCarthy of the LVMPD Office of Internal Oversight provided information regarding this incident. The video can be viewed by clicking on the following link:

<http://youtu.be/7gxMLqVeMxs>

This investigation remains ongoing. Anyone with any information about this incident is urged to contact the LVMPD Force Investigation Section at 702-828-8452. To remain anonymous contact Crime Stoppers at 702-385-5555 or on the internet at www.crimestoppersofnv.com.

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