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On July 3, 2022, at approximately 11:19 p.m., LVMPD Dispatch Center received a call from a citizen reporting an attempt suicide at a residence located in the 600 block of North Bruce Street. Arriving officers were met by several citizens in front of the residence who stated the victims were inside.

Officers entered the home and made their way towards a bedroom and located a woman and 46-year-old Miguel Gallarzo laying on a bed. The woman was suffering from multiple stab wounds. Upon seeing the officers, Gallarzo sat up and threw an item at them. Officer Tate Nelson positioned himself at the doorway of the bedroom and started giving Gallarzo verbal commands.

Gallarzo then stood up from the bed and armed himself with a knife. Gallarzo disregarded commands and began advancing towards the officers. This prompted Officer Nelson to discharge his weapon toward Gallarzo, at the same time another officer deployed his Electronic Control Device. Gallarzo was struck by gunfire and was taken into custody. Responding medical personnel declared Gallarzo and the female victim deceased at the scene.

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

A video of the briefing can be viewed by clicking on the following link:

https://youtu.be/zerPk7_QDw

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

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