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LASD Deputy-Involved Shooting (DIS) at the 12000 block of Foster Road, Norwalk.

The following information is based on facts determined from an investigation into the incident described. The investigation is ongoing and as witnesses are interviewed, evidence is analyzed and reports are reviewed, our understanding of the facts may change. The details described below accurately reflect the facts as we currently know them.

On February 17, 2022, at 7:05 p.m., Operation Safe Streets Bureau detectives were conducting a surveillance operation in the 12000 block of Foster Road with the intention of locating 29-year-old Andre Manuel Mora, a resident of Norwalk. Mora was wanted for a recent firearm related assault and an attempted carjacking.

Detectives located Mora walking in the area of Funston Avenue and Foster Road. Suspect Mora produced a handgun when contacted by detectives, at which time a deputy-involved shooting occurred.

Mora fled east on foot and while still armed with the handgun, encountered a second detective and a second deputy-involved shooting occurred. Mora continued running east with the handgun, encountered a third detective, and a third deputy-involved shooting occurred. Mora entered a residence at the 12000 block of Foster Road and barricaded himself inside.

The Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Special Enforcement Bureau (SEB) responded to assist with the containment of the residence. After an approximate six-hour standoff, SEB deputies entered the residence, located, and arrested Mora.

Mora sustained gunshot wounds to his upper torso. Mora was treated on scene by Los Angeles County Fire Department paramedics and subsequently transported to a local hospital where he was treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

While conducting a check of the west side of the property, SEB deputies located a male, unresponsive, lying on the ground, suffering from a gunshot wound to his upper body. The male was later identified as 67-year-old Pedro Manuel Morales an unarmed bystander who resided at the residence. Morales was pronounced deceased at the scene.

A loaded Polymer 80, 9mm semiautomatic handgun was recovered at the scene.

There were no other persons injured in the incident.

This incident was deemed a qualifying event under Assembly Bill 1506 guidelines. Members of the California Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, were notified of the incident and investigators responded to the scene.

Members of DOJ were briefed by LASD homicide investigators and assumed control of the crime scene and investigation.

Following notification by local authorities, the California Department of Justice's California Police Shooting Investigation Team deployed to the incident scene. Alongside other law enforcement partners, the California Department of Justice is investigating. Once the investigation has been completed, it will be turned over to the California Department of Justice's Special Prosecutions Section within the Criminal Law Division for independent review. More information on the California Department of Justice's roles and responsibilities under AB 1506 is available at: <https://oag.ca.gov/ois-incidents>.