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February 12, 2024 Officer Involved Shooting in Spokane County, WA

Olympia, WA – At approximately 12:15 a.m. on Monday, February 12, 2024, Spokane Police responded to a reported shooting at 1123 E. Wellesley Ave. Officers arrived and made contact with a witness and learned there was a male armed with a handgun as well as an injured female inside the residence. Officers entered the residence and confronted the armed subject. Gunfire was exchanged resulting in the fatality of the male subject. No officers were injured in the encounter. The female victim was transported to Sacred Heart Medical Center for gunshot injuries sustained prior to officer arrival.

Per state law, officer-involved shootings are investigated by an Independent Investigation Team (IIT). The Spokane Police Department (SPD) invoked critical incident protocol and the Criminal Investigation Division of the Washington State Patrol (WSP) responded as members of the Spokane Independent Investigative Response (SIIR) Team. WSP is the lead managing agency for this investigation, working with the Spokane County Sheriff's Office.

At this point, the investigation is in its early stages and no further details are available. As required by statute, the IIT will provide weekly updates of the investigation. Weekly releases will be provided by the WSP Government and Media Relations Division headquartered in Olympia.

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