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SLED INVESTIGATING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN MARION COUNTY

Agents of the S.C. Law Enforcement Division are investigating an incident from Sunday evening in which gunfire was exchanged during a confrontation between a man and an officer from the Mullins Police Department in Marion County. No injuries were reported from the incident. Law enforcement was responding to a domestic call when the incident took place.

SLED conducts law enforcement officer involved shooting (OIS) investigations at the request of the agency involved in the incident. When requested to investigate an OIS, SLED's goal is to conduct a thorough, independent criminal investigation as timely as is possible under the circumstances. SLED investigators will conduct interviews with all potential witnesses in this matter, including the involved officers and the individual in question. Further, SLED will collect all relevant evidence and will forensically test such evidence as needed.

Information gathered in the SLED investigation of the incident will be summarized in a case file report to be submitted to prosecutors.

This is an ongoing investigation. No other information about the case will be disclosed by SLED at this time. SLED will defer to the Mullins Police Department for any information about their officers.

The incident in Marion County was the 29th officer involved shooting in South Carolina in 2020 and the first this year involving Mullins Police Department. In 2019, there were 45 officer involved shootings in South Carolina; none involved the Mullins Police Department.

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