



PRESS RELEASE

SCOTT LOUGHNER, ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE

OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

UPDATE

Downey, CA, June 30, 2024: On June 29, 2024, at approximately 6:15 pm, Downey Officers responded to a call of a male causing a disturbance in the 7100 Block of Stewart & Gray Road. Downey Police Officers encountered a male suspect, identified as Alberto Arenas, a 29-year-old resident of Downey. Officers made several attempts to gain control and deescalate the situation; however, Arenas pointed what appeared to be a rifle at the officers. An Officer involved shooting occurred and the suspect was struck by gunfire. The suspect was treated at the scene by the Downey Fire Department and pronounced deceased at the scene. No one from the public nor any Downey officers were injured.

It was later determined the rifle the Arenas was holding during the OIS was an air soft style rifle. As a result, the Department of Justice took over the investigation. The following picture is an actual photo of the rifle Arenas pointed at the officers.



Further press inquiries may be directed to Alexandra Duquet at The Department of Justice at (916) 704-9085, alexandra.duquet@doj.ca.gov

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