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CASE NAME: SLYCORD, Devon Lee

DATE: 2-24-20

OFFENSE: OIS

AGENCY REPORT NO.: SSD-20-67422

REQUESTED BY: Gonzalez

REPORT BY: J. Adams #46

SUMMARY OF FACTS:

1520 Hours 2-24-20 I was working at the front counter of the District Attorney's main office when Chief Deputy Schiele notified me an Officer Involved Shooting (OIS) involving officers from the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department (SSD) had occurred. He told me it was in the north area of Sacramento County.

I notified Criminal Investigator Kurt Leatherman by telephone. He told me he had just received a phone call from the communication center for the Sheriff's Department, but was not yet clear on whether or not an officer was involved or if an unknown white male adult, later identified as Devon Lee SLYCORD, had shot himself, involving no deputies.

1557 Hours SSD Communications confirmed we were needed to respond to an OIS at the shopping center near Elverta and Walerga. We both responded to the shooting scene in separate vehicles.

1652 Hours I arrived at the command post for the OIS, located behind the Bel Air Market at 7901 Walerga in Antelope, California. The shooting scene was located near the Phoenix School, located at 4110 Skyland Court in Antelope, which is at the southwest corner of the parking lot for the shopping center at Walerga and Elverta. Winco Market is at the north side of that parking lot.

1732 Hours Investigator Leatherman and I stood by while some of the involved officers related what had happened, but the official interview was to be held later. Deputy Chavez #1036 working as 12D1 stated he, Deputy Keegan #957, working as 17D1, and Deputy Durham #195 working as 11D1 were already in the parking lot, but on the far east end of it when the initial call was dispatched for the WMA, sitting on a stump, who had a black grip handgun. Deputy Chavez and Deputy Keegan gave a brief summary of what occurred but Deputy Durham was not present.

When the information was first dispatched, they cleared other calls and responded across the parking lot, looking for the armed male. When they located him at the far west end of the parking lot, near the Phoenix School at 4110 Skyland Court, they ordered him to drop his gun, but instead he fired one round. Deputy Durham also fired one round and SLYCORD fell over, but continued to move. The three deputies waited for SED to respond to attempt contact with SLYCORD, who was later pronounced dead and identified.



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Investigator Leatherman stayed at the scene after all other involved officers related their actions in responding to the call. I responded to the Sheriff's Department building used for interviews, 4400 Auburn Blvd. in Sacramento. (See Investigator Leatherman's report)

I monitored the interviews of Deputy Chavez, Deputy Keegan, and Deputy Durham. (Statements Attached)

During the time I was monitoring interviews, Sheriff's Department detectives with the Sheriff's learned the identity of the shooter. He was Devon Lee SLYCORD, DOB/9-26-90, a WMA, 5-9, 135, brn, hzl. He lived at 29929 Puckerbrush Road in Adel, Iowa, 50003. The Sheriff's Department detectives made contact with family members and determined his possible identity by the time I had left. He was later entered into the Known Persons System and assigned X-5306010. (Copy attached)



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2148 Hours 2-24-20 I monitored the interview of Deputy Michael Keegan, #957 at the Sheriff's Department Homicide Division building, located at 4400 Auburn Blvd. Sacramento, California. Deputy Keegan was represented by Seth Nunley and was interviewed by Detective L. Milton and Detective R. Peters.

When introductions were completed and shift assignment noted, uniform, marked vehicle, and call sign completed, Detective Milton conducted the interview.

Deputy Keegan stated he was assigned to patrol on 2-24-20 and was working David Watch, 1400 to 0000 Hours. He stated he was with Deputy Chavez and Deputy Durham when they were assigned to a call. When the 925 Call for a suspicious person came out shortly afterwards, Deputy Chavez stated they should respond to that call instead because it was in the same parking lot they were in.

Deputy Keegan stated the call indicated someone was in the lot with a gun, outside the school (Phoenix). He stated the information he saw on the computer screen also indicated people at the school were trying to get the kids back into the school. He stated they all three responded towards the Phoenix school, in the same parking lot, with Deputy Durham in front, then Deputy Chavez, then him (Keegan).

Deputy Keegan stated he was pulling up to stop on the southwest end of the lot when he saw Deputy Durham hit the brakes of his vehicle and he heard Deputy Chavez broadcast he had one at gunpoint. He saw Deputy Durham pulling out his revolver. Deputy Keegan stated they were on the far west end when they stopped, southwest of the Winco. He stated he was south of Durham, or to his left. Deputy Chavez was on Durham's right when he parked. Deputy Keegan stated he was approximately five yards from Deputy Durham, aligned with the back doors of his patrol vehicle on his left side, a few yards from the suspect.

He could see a white male adult with blonde hair wearing blue jeans, sitting on the concrete, looking down. Deputy Keegan stated he saw a silver gun the male had pointed at his head. He shook his head NO when Deputy Durham told him to put the gun down.



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Deputy Keegan stated he got out of his vehicle and also pulled out his gun. He stated he saw the unknown male adult still shaking his head NO. In approximately five to eight seconds, one shot went off and in approximately a half second later another shot went off to his right. That shot was from Deputy Durham. He said everything happened very quickly.

Deputy Keegan stated he considered the suspect a threat and was afraid he would take the gun from his own head and start shooting at them.

Deputy Keegan stated he saw Deputy Durham start to approach, but he told him to wait, which he did. He stated they gave commands to the shooter to drop the gun, but he did not. He stated he could see him breathing. Deputy Keegan voiced on the radio he had shot himself, but still had the gun. He heard STAR overhead and continued to be able to see the suspect with the gun in his hand.

Deputy Keegan stated he never did turn on his overhead lights and his In Car Camera was, therefore, not activated. He stated he hit the activation to turn it on afterward.

Deputy Keegan stated he was familiar with that parking lot and knew the Phoenix school had a lot full of parents and kids at that time of day. He also knew the stores were all open and people were walking around the lot. It was busy.

2223 Hours Detective Milton indicated the interview was complete.