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Fatal Officer-Involved Shooting in Towson Under Investigation

BALTIMORE, MD (June 5, 2022) – The Independent Investigations Division of the Office of the Attorney General is investigating a fatal officer-involved shooting that occurred in the 500 block of Virginia Avenue in Towson Saturday night.

On June 4, at approximately 8:40 p.m., officers with the Baltimore County Police Department responded to an apartment complex on Virginia Avenue for the report of an unknown trouble. When officers arrived on scene, they heard gunshots coming from inside the building. The officers entered the building and proceeded to the apartment floor provided by the 911 caller.

Once on the floor, officers identified the apartment where the unknown trouble was reported to have occurred and knocked on the door. An adult male answered the door armed with a handgun and pointed it at officers. The man and three officers exchanged gunfire. The man was struck and pronounced dead on scene. One officer suffered a gunshot wound and was taken to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. An adult female was located inside the apartment suffering from gunshot wounds and was taken to a local hospital in critical condition.

The Independent Investigations Division will generally release the name of the decedent and involved officers within 48 hours of the incident, though that period may be extended if there is a specific reason to believe that an officer's safety is at risk.

The body-worn cameras of the involved officers were active during the incident. The Independent Investigations Division will generally release body camera footage within 14 days of an incident. There may be situations where more than 14 days is necessary, including if investigators need more time to complete witness interviews, if there are technical delays caused by the need to shield the identities of civilian witnesses, or to allow family members to view the video before it is released to the public.

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