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UPDATE: DEPUTY CLEARED IN OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

On September 17, 2024, Fauquier Commonwealth's Attorney, Scott C. Hook provided his opinion for the officer involved shooting incident that occurred in Spotsylvania County on June 30, 2024. CA Scott C. Hook found the deputy's use of lethal force was justified. The complete report from CA Hook is attached. An additional separate internal investigation was conducted by this agency and showed that the involved deputy followed all department policies and procedures. The deputy was identified as Lieutenant Daniel Harris, an eighteen-year veteran. We appreciate the Virginia State Police for their assistance in reviewing the criminal investigation.

ORIGINAL: OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING INVESTIGATION

On June 30th at approximately 3:16AM, deputies were dispatched to the 10400 block of Spotswood Drive for a domestic disturbance involving a firearm. Once on scene, deputies observed an adult male armed with a firearm pointing it at an adult female. As a result, one of the responding deputies fired his department issued firearm striking the subject. Deputies immediately rendered aid to the individual until Spotsylvania Fire-EMS arrived. The 38-year-old male was pronounced dead at the scene. No physical injuries were sustained to the female. At the request of the Sheriff's Office, the Virginia State Police Bureau of Criminal Investigation will be assisting us in the investigation. The deputy involved in this incident has been placed on routine administrative leave.

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