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NEWS RELEASE

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From: Patty Perlow, Lane County District Attorney

RE: June 30, 2018 Eugene Police Officer Involved Shooting

On June 30th, 2018 at 0436 hours, two Eugene Police Officers confronted a stabbing suspect in a confined area in the backyard of a residence. The officers gave commands to the suspect and then deployed a Taser at him with no success. The suspect then advanced toward the officers with a knife in his hand and the officers fired their weapons at him. Officers rendered aid until medics arrived. The Inter-Agency Deadly Force Investigation Team was then called out to investigate the shooting.

The stabbing suspect was previously identified as David Justo Duran, DOB 09/12/1985.

The involved Eugene Police Officers were previously identified as Sgt. Mike Ware and Officer Josh West.

The use of deadly force by the two Eugene Officers was lawful. Mr. Duran was confined in a space approximately three feet by nineteen feet, with Mr. Duran at the end of the nineteen feet. In the time before deadly force was deployed, a Taser was deployed and ineffective and Mr. Duran had advanced approximately fifteen feet toward the officers while armed with a knife. Both Sgt. Ware and Officer West fired their agency issued 9mm Glock 17 firearms. Sgt. Ware fired two times and Officer West fired three times based on the round count of their ammunition after the shooting.

I would like to thank the responding officers from the Eugene Police Department or their professionalism in this dangerous situation. I would also like to thank the members of the IDFIT team and their agencies for devoting so many resources to this investigation, taking them out of their own community investigations. The people of Lane County are fortunate to have well trained, professional law enforcement personnel.

Mr. Duran has been charged with one count of Murder and one count of Unlawful Use of a Weapon by Information. Because this is an ongoing criminal case and Mr. Duran has Constitutional rights with regard to that case, there will be no other information released at this time.