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APD Releases Details of Officer-Involved Shooting in May

ALBUQUERQUE – The Albuquerque Police Department released details of an officer-involved shooting in May.

SUMMARY OF INCIDENT

Date of Incident: **Feb. 13, 2021**

Location: 308 Dallas NE

Officers with APD's Problem Response Team was conducting directed activity in the area of Central and Dallas N.E. While attempting to make contact with a male, later identified as Johnny Ray Gallegos, an officer became involved in a foot chase with the male.

During the chase, Gallegos fired several gunshots in the direction of the officer. The officer returned fire as Gallegos fled on foot eastbound through the courtyard.

A perimeter was set up and a SWAT activation was initiated. Gallegos was eventually taken into custody.

Subject: Johnny Ray Gallegos, 33

Involved Officer:

- Fouad Cherair, who has been with the department since 2018, has not been involved in prior officer-involved shootings.

Over the next several months, APD will continue to investigate and analyze this incident. Detectives will continue interviewing any new witnesses that come forward and complete any forensic tests. After the investigation is complete, APD's Force Review Board will forward the findings to the Superintendent of Police Reform to determine if this incident met the high standards of the Albuquerque Police Department. The Multi-Agency Task Force will forward its case to the District Attorney's Office to make any determination of criminal charges.

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