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Media Advisory

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Carjacking Leads to Officer Involved Shooting in Clayton County June 10, 2020 – (Forest Park, GA)

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WHAT: Carjacking Leads to Officer Involved Shooting in Clayton County

WHEN: Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 8:07 p.m.

WHERE: Old Dixie Highway and Johnson Rd Forest Park (Clayton County), GA

DETAILS:

On June 10, 2020 at approximately 8:07 p.m., Clayton County Police Officers responded to a carjacking call in the area of Johnson Rd and Old Dixie Hwy (Vera Cruz Apartments). Once on scene, officers learned there were four victims in a vehicle which was taken when the driver was struck over the head with the butt of a gun. The victim advised there were five male suspects that got into his vehicle and fled the scene.

The victim was able to track his vehicle through the use of a tracking application installed on an iPad device still remaining inside of the vehicle. While officers were on scene conducting an investigation into the carjacking, another officer observed the stolen vehicle via the description that had been provided, and attempted to make a traffic stop. The driver of the stolen vehicle, which contained three male suspects at this time, refused to stop and a short vehicle pursuit ensued. The suspects returned to the area of Johnson Rd and Old Dixie Hwy, where they crashed just outside of Laurel Pointe Apartments.

All three suspects subsequently took flight on foot, splitting up into two separate directions. Officers gave chase of the suspects on foot. During the foot chase, suspects brandished handguns and began firing upon the officers. The officers then returned fire to the suspects. Two of the suspects were struck during the gunfire exchange; one in the shoulder and the other in the back as the suspects were attempting to escape capture.

Upon capture of the injured suspects, aid was immediately rendered by officers on scene while waiting for medical personnel to arrive. Both males were transported to local area hospitals for treatment. At this time it is believed that the injuries sustained by both of the male suspects are non-life-threatening. The ages of the suspects are seventeen, seventeen, and twenty years of age.

As a result of the quick action by responding officers, no other citizens were injured. No officers were injured as a result of this incident. The three suspects that were observed in the stolen vehicle have been taken into custody. Four handguns have been recovered on scene.

The investigation has been turned over to the Georgia Bureau of Investigations and the involved officers have been placed on routine administrative leave in accordance with Department policy. This investigation is ongoing and additional details are not available at this time.

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