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ASIRT concludes investigation into RCMP officer-involved shooting in St. Paul, Alberta

The Alberta Serious Incident Response Team has concluded its investigation into the incident.

At approximately 6 p.m. on May 9, 2014, St. Paul RCMP members heard gun shots fired outside the St. Paul detachment and witnessed a black dodge truck flee from the detachment parking lot.

RCMP members immediately followed the suspect vehicle to the intersection of 48 Street and 50 Avenue where it rammed a parked police vehicle and was immobilized.

An RCMP officer approached the intersection and parked approximately 13 meters from the black dodge truck. The suspect male shot several rounds towards the parked police vehicle. While the male suspect was shooting at the police vehicle, another RCMP member arrived on scene and fired eight rounds from his police service pistol toward the black truck.

The RCMP member ordered the male suspect to exit the vehicle; however, the male did not move. Upon approaching the vehicle, it was determined that the driver of the black dodge truck was deceased.

ASIRT conducted a thorough, independent, objective investigation into the actions of all the RCMP members involved. This investigation did not disclose any criminal conduct on the part of those police officers involved. It was determined that the male driver, Mr. John Quadros, took his own life during this incident. ASIRT has a mandate to investigate those incidents where the actions of police cause death or serious injury. Clifton Purvis, the executive director of ASIRT has determined that because the male took his own life ASIRT's mandate to investigate no longer applies. The executive director has determined that no charges will be laid as a result of the actions of those police officers involved in this incident.

Three RCMP officers were injured in this event and all three officers are expected to recover from their injuries. ASIRT wishes a successful and speedy recovery to these officers.

The Alberta Serious Incident Response Team extends its condolences to the family and friends of the deceased.

The RCMP have an ongoing criminal investigation relating to this incident and because of that investigation, no further details can be released at this time.

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