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DEKALB COUNTY SPECIAL OPERATIONS TEAM OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING VIDEO RELEASED

DEKLAB – In accordance with the Illinois State Police’s (ISP) commitment to integrity and public transparency, ISP is releasing video of an officer involved shooting after consultation with and authorization from the DeKalb County State’s Attorney’s Office.

On October 23, 2024, the DeKalb County Sheriff’s Office asked ISP Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 1 West to investigate an officer involved shooting that occurred around 5 a.m. in the 6000 block of Rich Road in DeKalb, Illinois. After a pursuit, officers with the DeKalb County Special Operations Team were able to stop a vehicle believed to be involved in a shooting the night before in Rockford, Illinois. Officers saw the suspect, 42-year-old Abram Perez of Rockford, had a handgun and had taken one person hostage in the vehicle. After hours of negotiations, the hostage was released. After continued attempts to get Perez to surrender, Perez fired several rounds at law enforcement. An officer fired one round, fatally striking Perez.

The video of the incident can be found here https://youtu.be/7K_zjuuWStI.

ISP turned its investigation over to the DeKalb County State’s Attorney’s Office. For more information, contact the State’s Attorney’s Office.

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