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ILLINOIS STATE POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER OF BRADLEY POLICE OFFICER

Bradley, IL – The Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) Zone 3 is investigating an officer involved shooting (OIS) involving officers from the Bradley Police Department (BPD).

On Dec. 30, 2021 at approximately 12:20 a.m., ISP DCI Zone 3 was requested to investigate the shooting of two Police Officers from the Bradley Police Department. Preliminary reports indicate that BPD officers responded to a hotel in the 1500 block of North State Highway 50 for a noise complaint. While investigating the incident, BPD officers initiated a conversation with subjects inside of the hotel. During the interaction, Sergeant Marlene R. Rittmanic, a 49-year-old female, and Officer Tyler J. Bailey, a 27-year-old male, were fired upon. Sergeant Rittmanic and Officer Bailey sustained serious injuries after being struck by gunfire and were transported to area hospitals for treatment. Sergeant Rittmanic later succumbed to her injuries. Officer Bailey remains in critical condition at the hospital.

ISP Zone 3 Agents obtained Kankakee County arrest warrants for Darius D. Sullivan, a 25-year old male of Bourbonnais, IL, and Xandria A. Harris, a 26-year old female of Bradley, IL in relation to this incident.

"The senseless harm and killing of two more Illinois police officers bring great sorrow to our agency and to the family, friends, and brothers and sisters of the Bradley Police Department," stated ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly. "The Illinois State Police will use every resource at its disposal to ensure the individuals responsible are brought to justice," concluded Kelly.

ISP Zone 3 is conducting a thorough and exhaustive investigation and would like to request the public's assistance. If the any one has any information on the whereabouts of Sullivan or Harris, or any information regarding this incident, please call the ISP at 815-698-2672 or Crime Stoppers at 815-93-CRIME. Callers can remain anonymous. There is no further information available at this time.

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Xandria A. Harris (F/26)

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The public is reminded that all suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.