

Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation Investigative Report



2023-1792 Officer Involved Critical Incident - I-70 at Mound Street, Columbus, OH

Investigative Activity:	Case Opening
Date of Activity:	07/06/2023
Activity Location:	– Scene
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Narrative:

On Thursday July 06, 2023, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested by the Columbus Division of Police (CPD) to investigate an Officer-Involved Critical Incident between Abdisamad Mohamed Ismail (Ismail) and CPD officers that occurred on I-70 at the Mound Street exit, Columbus, Ohio (Franklin County). It was conveyed that multiple CPD officers fired their weapons at an individual during an attempted arrest.

Upon arrival, SA Mulford met with CPD Sergeant James Marable (Sgt. Marable). Sgt. Marable advised that CPD engaged in a pursuit of a Porsche SUV that had allegedly been stolen at gunpoint from a dealership earlier in the day. It was also believed that three subjects inside the vehicle had robbed a bank just prior to the pursuit. At some point during the pursuit, the vehicle stopped in the eastbound lanes of I–70 near Mound Street. Three occupants exited the vehicle and shots were exchanged between the responding officers and the occupants. CPD Officer was struck by gunfire and was transported to Grant Medical Hospital where he was treated for multiple gunshot wounds but is expected to survive.

One of the occupants, Ismail, was also struck by gunfire and pronounced deceased on scene. The other two occupants, Faisal Darod and Aden Jama, reportedly fled the scene on foot and were later apprehended. It was determined that CPD would handle the initial bank robbery investigation, BCI Crime Scene Unit (CSU) would process the shooting scene, and BCI Special Investigations Unit (SIU) would handle the investigation of the resulting Officer-Involved Critical Incident.

Multiple BCI Special Investigations Unit (SIU) and BCI Crime Scene Unit Agents arrived on scene to process the evidence and interview the witnesses.

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