



FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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MAN ARRESTED AFTER ATTEMPTED MURDER OF POLICE OFFICERS

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department (FLPD) is investigating a domestic disturbance that led to a police involved shooting. This incident occurred on Monday, October 9th at approximately 3:00 p.m. in the 2200 block of Southwest 28th Way in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation reveals FLPD received a 911 call in reference to a domestic disturbance occurring between family members at the incident location. As officers were arriving on scene, the suspect barricaded himself inside the residence with a firearm.

A short time later, the suspect, who was now on the second floor of the residence, opened a window and began to shoot at the officers who were arriving on scene. One FLPD officer used his duty firearm to return fire but did not strike the suspect.

FLPD's SWAT Team and Crisis Negotiators responded to the scene to attempt to make contact with the suspect. After several hours of callouts and attempted communication, the suspect refused to surrender and continued to barricade inside the residence. FLPD requested additional tactical resources from the Broward Sheriff's Office, Davie Police Department, and the FBI.

At approximately 7:50 p.m., the suspect attempted to discreetly exit the residence. Nearby SWAT Operators, utilizing specialized night vision goggles, observed the suspect immediately and took him into custody without further incident.

During the initial domestic disturbance, a woman sustained injuries and was transported to Broward Health Medical Center by Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue. Her injuries were non-life-threatening, and she has since been released from hospital.

The suspect has been identified as Joseph Criscione, W/M, DOB 11/2/1991. He was not injured during the incident. Criscione has been charged with three counts of attempted murder on a law enforcement officer, felony battery on a person 65 or older, and resisting arrest without violence.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to call Sergeant Tarek Bazzi at 954-828-5512 or Detective Leann Swisher at 954-828-4007.



(Suspect: Criscione)

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