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Officer Involved Shooting

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Press Release

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(Ladson, SC) Around 11:00 last night, a Charleston County sheriff's deputy observed a vehicle matching the description of a suspect vehicle from a domestic violence call that had just occurred in the City of North Charleston. The deputy attempted a traffic stop in the area of Ladson Road near Highway 78. The suspect failed to stop and fled on Ladson Road towards Dorchester Road. The deputy pursued the suspect until the suspect eventually abandoned the vehicle on Salters Lane (Dorchester County) and fled on foot into a surrounding wooded area. At some point while fleeing on foot, the suspect shot at the deputy with a rifle. The deputy returned fire and struck the suspect. The suspect subsequently surrendered to deputies and was taken into custody. He was transported to a hospital for non life threatening injuries. The deputy was not injured. An AK type semi-automatic rifle was recovered in the wooded area. Per protocol, SLED was requested to investigate the officer involved shooting. Also per protocol, the deputy was placed on administrative leave with pay, pending an internal review of the incident. Numerous first responders from surrounding jurisdictions responded to assist with this incident.

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