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United States Park Police Officer-Involved Shooting

Alexandria, Virginia – On November 17, 2017, at approximately 7:42 pm, United States Park Police officers were involved in a shooting at Fort Hunt Road at Alexandria Avenue in Fairfax County, VA. One male subject was shot by officers and is in critical condition at a local hospital. The subject was wanted in connection with a reported hit and run motor vehicle crash that occurred southbound on the George Washington Memorial Parkway at Slaters Lane.

Officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicle involved in the previous hit and run motor vehicle crash; however, the driver led United States Park Police officers on a vehicle pursuit that culminated at Fort Hunt Road and Alexandria Avenue. There was only one occupant in the vehicle, a white male driver, at the time of the shooting.

No other parties were injured in the incident. The roadway was closed for approximately 6 hours while police investigated the scene. The investigation into the circumstances surrounding this incident is ongoing.

The United States Park Police is encouraging anyone with information or video related to the initial hit and run crash or from the scene of shooting, to contact the United States Park Police CIB Tipline at (202) 610-8737.

Further Information will be provided as it becomes available.

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About the United States Park Police: USPP provides law enforcement to safeguard lives, protect national treasures and symbols of democracy, and preserve the natural and cultural resources entrusted to the care of the National Park Service. USPP officers are located in the Washington, New York, and San Francisco metropolitan areas. The force was created by President George Washington in 1791.