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PRESS RELEASE

The Office of Inspector General and the Connecticut State Police Central District Major Crime Squad are investigating an officer-involved shooting that occurred on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at 29 Tiffany Street, Apartment 5, Brooklyn, Connecticut.

On that date at approximately 9:30 a.m., a State Marshal went to the location to evict the tenant, Byron Harvey, age 59, pursuant to an order issued by the Housing Court. The State Marshal had information that Harvey had a large canine at the residence and arranged for two Animal Control Officers to be present during the planned eviction. When no one answered the door, the State Marshal contacted the Connecticut State Police for assistance. Connecticut State Trooper Yeung arrived on scene. Using a key provided by the landlord, the State Marshal, Trooper Yeung, and the Animal Control Officers entered the apartment.

Once inside, Trooper Yeung observed Harvey who was holding a large knife in his right hand. Trooper Yeung requested backup and other Troopers, including Trooper Romello Lumpkin, arrived on scene. The Troopers attempted to start a dialog with Harvey and repeatedly asked him to drop the knife. Harvey sat in a chair that was approximately fifteen feet away from the Troopers who were at the end of a galley kitchen. Harvey refused to drop the knife and made several suicidal remarks. At one point he said, "You're going to have to shoot me ... If you don't, I'm going to get at least one of you." When Harvey stood up from the chair and advanced toward the Troopers still holding the knife in a raised position, one Trooper discharged his TASER and Trooper Lumpkin fired one round from his handgun striking Harvey in the abdomen.

State Troopers and EMS treated Harvey on scene and he was transported to Day Kimball Hospital. From there he was flown via Lifestar to UMass Hospital in Worcester, Massachusetts. He remains there under treatment.

Trooper Lumpkin was equipped with a body worn camera during his encounter with Harvey. To view a portion of that recording, click [here](#).

The investigation is continuing.