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One Killed, Two Wounded in Police-Involved Shooting

One man was killed and two others wounded following a police-involved shooting incident which occurred in the Oropune district last night.

Officers of the Northern Division Task Force, Area Central, were on mobile patrol around 8.25pm on Monday 14th December, 2020, when they attempted to intercept a white Nissan Tiida motor vehicle with five male occupants. The driver failed to stop and a chase ensued south along Golden Grove Road and onto the Churchill Roosevelt Highway.

Upon passing the Oropune walk-over, the vehicle came to a stop and two men exited the vehicle, pointed guns in the direction of the officers and opened fire. The officers, in accordance with the Use of Force Policy, returned fire in the direction of the men, who ran into some nearby bushes. A foot chase ensued, however, the two suspects eluded capture.

Officers then observed three men in the vehicle with gunshot wounds about the body. They were taken for medical attention, where one of the men, identified as Keith Wilson, of St. Helena, was pronounced dead. The other two suspects, both 20-year-olds of the Oropune District, were treated for their injuries.

Assistance was sought from the Air Support Unit, the Canine Unit, the Northern Division's Emergency Response Patrol and the Arouca Crime Patrol for the suspects who escaped, however, they were not found.

Investigations are ongoing.

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