Update: Full CBP Statement on Agent-Involved Fatal Shooting in San Diego

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Per Customs and Border Protection policy, and to promote transparency, the following is an update regarding the agent involved shooting in San Diego, California last night.

On Friday, October 23, 2020, at approximately 5:45 p.m., a United States Border Patrol agent responded to apprehend a man illegally entering the United States immediately west of the port of entry in San Ysidro, California. During the arrest, an altercation ensued and the agent discharged his firearm, wounding the man, who was later identified as an adult Mexican national. Nearby agents and law enforcement personnel responded immediately and initiated lifesaving efforts until emergency medical services arrived. At approximately 6:25 p.m. the man was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The investigation is currently being led by the San Diego Police Department. Customs and Border Protection will continue to fully cooperate with the ongoing investigation. The specifics of this incident have also been shared with FBI, DHS OIG and CBP Office of Professional Responsibility.

Additional updates will be provided by the San Diego Police Department, inquiries should be directed to them.

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