

UPDATE: CBP Statement on Agent Involved Fatal Shooting in Hidalgo, TX

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HIDALGO, Texas– On January 29, 2021, at approximately 7:38 a.m., a United States Border Patrol agent was involved in a use-of-force incident in Hidalgo, Texas, approximately one mile away from the Hidalgo Port of Entry. The agent was responding to a report of several illegal entries. The incident occurred while the agent was attempting to apprehend a subject and the agent discharged his weapon.

The suspect, an adult male, sustained a gunshot wound. Agents on scene immediately rendered aid and contacted Emergency Medical Services (EMS). The injured subject was transported to a local hospital by EMS where he was pronounced deceased at 9:00 a.m.

The agent was not injured.

The incident is currently under investigation by the CBP Office of Professional Responsibility, DHS Office of Inspector General, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection is the unified border agency within the Department of Homeland Security charged with the management, control and protection of our nation's borders at and between official ports of entry. CBP is charged with securing the borders of the United States while enforcing hundreds of laws and facilitating lawful trade and travel.

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