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## **OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING**

**Oakland (CA)** – On August 1, 2009, at 9:07 p.m., an Oakland Police Officer was flagged down by a merchant, who needed help in his store at 7101 International Blvd, “Tolin’s Liquors”. A suspect was inside the store harassing the merchant and customers. The officer attempted to contact the suspect. As the officer approached the suspect, the suspect armed himself with a hatchet. The officer responded by firing several rounds from her service pistol. The suspect was transported to Highland hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The suspect is identified as Brownie Polk, a 46-year-old Oakland resident. The officer was not injured in the incident. The officer’s name is not being released at this time. The investigation into this incident is ongoing.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the Homicide Section at (510) 238-3821.

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