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Deputy-Involved Shooting in Laguna Niguel

LAGUNA NIGUEL, California - (September 25, 2013) – On Tuesday, September 24, 2013 at approximately 7:30 p.m., deputies with the Orange County Sheriff's Department responded to a disturbance call involving subjects being stabbed with a knife. During the response to the call for service, one deputy was attacked by the suspect and another deputy shot and fatally wounded the assailant. The suspect, Connor Bishop Zion, 21, of Laguna Niguel, was pronounced deceased on the scene by Orange County Fire Authority Paramedics. Zion's mother and roommate were also injured as a result of the altercation and were transported to a local hospital for stab wounds.

During the incident, an Orange County Sheriff's deputy received stab wounds to both arms and was transported to a local hospital where he is being treated for serious, but not life-threatening, injuries.

The Orange County District Attorney's office is conducting an investigation, as is the protocol in Orange County Sheriff's deputy-involved shootings.

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