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FAIRBANKS, Alaska

Shortly after midnight, the Fairbanks Police Department responded to the 300 block of 7th Avenue for reports of shots fired. As multiple calls came into the Dispatch Center, a responding officer radioed that he was shot.

After shooting the officer, the suspect fled the scene in the officer’s patrol car. A few blocks away the patrol car was recovered.

The suspect is an Alaska Native male in his 20s wearing a dark jacket, dark pants, and a knit hat.

The officer was transported to Fairbanks Memorial Hospital by the Fairbanks Fire Department. The officer sustained serious injuries from multiple gunshot wounds and has since been flown to Anchorage for treatment.

The Fairbanks Police Department urges the public to be safe as the suspect is still at large and should be considered armed and dangerous. If anyone has any information relating to this incident please contact the Fairbanks Police Department at 907-459-6800

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Attachments:
  Video One: Initial contact with the suspect firing at the officer.
  Video Two: Suspect abandoning the patrol vehicle.

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