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Sheriff's Internal Affairs Bureau personnel are continuing their investigation into the circumstances surrounding a deputy-involved, non-hit shooting, which occurred Tuesday, October 19, 2010, in the 2900 block of West 60th Street, Huntington Park.

Investigators have learned that an East Los Angeles Sheriff's Station deputy located a stolen vehicle with four occupants in a parking lot, in the 3600 block of Slauson Avenue, Maywood. The lone deputy coordinated the response of assisting units, while following the suspect vehicle.

The suspect driver attempted to make a u-turn in the narrow street of West 60th Street, but the deputy blocked the vehicle with the radio car. The driver of the suspect vehicle -who was later identified as Eric Valdez, male Hispanic/27- ignored the deputy's order to remain in the vehicle. He exited, turned his body away from Sandoval, and reached into the waistband area of his pants.

Fearing the suspect was arming himself and in fear for their life, the deputy fired one round from their duty weapon, missing the suspect. Valdez fled the area on foot, northbound on Oak Street and out of view.

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The other three occupants were identified as Eduardo Villareal, male Hispanic/21; Lezly Lorenzano, female Hispanic/21; and Tirza Mendoza, female Hispanic/27. All three were uninjured and arrested for Receiving Stolen Property.

Despite an extensive search of the surrounding area, Valdez was not located and no weapon was recovered.

Anyone with information about Valdez's location or the possible location of a weapon is encouraged to contact the Los Angeles County Internal Affairs Bureau at 800-698-8255.

If you prefer to provide information ANONYMOUSLY, you may call "Crime Stoppers" by dialing 800-222-TIPS (8477), texting the letters TIPLA plus your tip to CRIMES (274637), or using the website <http://lacrimestoppers.org>.

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