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Department Launches Investigation into Alleged Officer Misconduct *Both Internal and Criminal Investigations Underway*

St. Louis, Mo. - After uncovering alleged misconduct by officers on the force, the Metropolitan Police Department, City of St. Louis launched both internal and criminal investigations into the officers' actions.

A joint federal investigation has been initiated with the cooperation of the DEA, FBI, U.S. Attorney's Office and the St. Louis Circuit Attorney's Office. The involved officers are no longer on active duty as the investigation continues.

"The Department will continue to be vigorous in efforts to root out officers whose actions compromise the integrity of the organization," said Chief Sam Dotson. "We hold our officers to a high standard and expect them to abide by the very same laws they are sworn to uphold."

The investigation is ongoing, and at this time the Department is unable to discuss details or findings of the investigation before it has concluded.

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