

South Carolina sheriff: Deputy fatally shoots man - Associated Press: Greenville Metro Area (SC) - March 20, 2018

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GREENVILLE, S.C. (AP) — A sheriff's deputy has shot and killed a man with a knife in South Carolina.

Greenville County Sheriff Will Lewis told news outlets the man was killed after he charged at deputies Monday afternoon.

Lewis says deputies had been called to a disturbance and found several people in a home who were "potential hostage victims."

Lewis says several minutes of negotiations and the use of non-lethal means failed to convince the man to drop the knife. An officer fired when the man came toward deputies.

The coroner's office said the suspect was 35-year-old **Jermaine Massey** of Greenville, a black man. State Law Enforcement Division spokesman Thom Berry said the officer was a white man. His name wasn't immediately released.

Lewis says the deputy has been placed on administrative leave.

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