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PRESS RELEASE

DATE: May 14, 2017

OFFICE POINT OF CONTACT: Chief Deputy Hodges

On May 14, 2017, at approximately 10:38 AM, Deputies from the Brown County Sheriff's Office to 11479 Smokey Row Rd in reference to a suicidal male subject. Once on scene the Deputies were advised that the homeowner, Mark Atkins, age 52, was barricaded inside the residence with a firearm.

Additional units from the Ohio State Highway Patrol, Ohio Division of Wildlife and Clermont County Sheriff's Office Special Response Team arrived on scene to assist. Negotiators were able to make contact with the Atkins subject and communicated for an extended period.

At approximately 2:06 PM communications broke down and Mr. Atkins was taken into custody with the use of less-lethal munitions with minor injuries. The investigation into the incident continues and charges are possible.

The Brown County Sheriff's Office appreciated the assistance provided by the other law enforcement agencies listed which resulted in a safe resolution of this incident.