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TO: ALL MEDIA OUTLETS

FROM: Lt. Brannon Jordan

Date: 06-06-2014

RE: Accidental Death

On 06-05-2014 at about 1233 hours, Latah County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a residence on Cameron Road, Moscow for the report of an unresponsive adult male laying at the bottom of a stairway. The male, Michael J. Snow, 66 years of age, was dead at the scene.

Investigation by Detectives from the Sheriff's Office and the Idaho State Police determined that Snow had been walking down the stairs to the basement while carrying two rifles and a pistol. It appears that Snow fell on the stairs and the .22 caliber pistol that he was carrying discharged. The round struck Snow in the chest. He was home alone at the time. Snow's body was discovered when his wife returned home from work.