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(S.D.)-Rapid City Officer Cleared In Suspect Shooting

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RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) - A Rapid City police officer who shot and wounded a man who allegedly threatened officers with a butcher knife has been cleared of any wrongdoing.

Attorney General Marty Jackley says a Division of Criminal Investigation probe concluded that Officer Jerry Moore was justified in shooting 20-year-old Elijah White Magpie on Feb. 21.

Authorities allege that White Magpie threw a rock through a window at the city library, shattered a window in a parked van and threatened the officers.

He has pleaded not guilty to attempted murder, aggravated assault on a police officer and intentional damage to public and private property. He could face more than 50 years in prison if convicted.