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IIU investigating traffic accident involving off-duty officer and pedestrian

Manitoba's Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating after an officer driving his vehicle on Portage Ave. collided with a pedestrian.

The Winnipeg Police Service notified the IIU that the off-duty officer was travelling in his personal vehicle east-bound on Portage near Langside Street on October 10 at approximately 9:20 a.m. A 46-year-old person was walking between cars across Portage when the individual was struck by the vehicle operated by the officer. The affected person was transported and admitted to the Health Sciences Centre with undetermined injuries.

Upon WPS receiving information that the pedestrian's injuries were serious and condition was unstable, WPS notified the IIU. WPS traffic personnel returned to the scene to conduct further examinations and assist IIU in the investigation.

As the affected person required admission to hospital on an in-patient basis, the IIU is mandated to investigate.

Witnesses or other individuals who have information or video footage that may assist this investigation are asked to contact the IIU toll free at 1-844-667-6060.

The IIU investigates all serious incidents involving police officers in Manitoba, whether occurring on or off duty.

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