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## **IIU** investigates injury to suspect

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating the circumstances that led to the injury of a 40-year-old male during his arrest by Winnipeg police.

On February 2, 2018, the IIU was notified by the Winnipeg Police Service that, earlier the same day, officers responded to a call regarding a man who was armed with weapons on Sherbrook Street. The man refused to drop his weapons and a confrontation requiring use of force resulted. The man was transported to hospital and reported to have possible fractured vertebrae. As this is a serious injury as defined by IIU regulations, the IIU is mandated to investigate.

The investigation is ongoing, so no further details will be provided at this time. The IIU investigates all serious incidents involving police officers in Manitoba, whether occurring on or off duty.

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