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IIU investigating altercation with Eastman RCMP following traffic stop

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating a report of an RCMP officer striking a driver with a traffic pylon.

RCMP notified the IIU that an officer stopped a speeding vehicle on Highway 17 in the RM of Rockwood the morning of October 21, 2018. The 27-year-old male driver was arrested for driving without a licence and secured in the police vehicle where, according to the arresting officer, he blew mucus and spit all over the back seat. The officer struck the man with a pylon that was in the vehicle, then later reported the incident to his supervisor.

Although the man was not injured, the IIU civilian director has determined it is in the public interest for the IIU to investigate.

As the investigation is ongoing, no further details will be provided at this time.

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