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## IIU investigating officer-involved shooting in Waywayseecappo

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating the shooting of a suspect by an officer on the Waywayseecappo First Nation near Rossburn, Manitoba.

On May 29, 2019, Manitoba First Nations Police (MFNP) responded to a disturbance complaint at the Waywayseecappo Gaming Center. As an MFNP officer was arresting a male involved in the disturbance, a second male began to repeatedly stab the officer. The officer discharged his firearm, striking the second male. Both the officer and the male sustained injuries and were transported to hospital for treatment.

Any injury resulting from the discharge of a firearm by a police officer is considered a serious injury, as defined by regulation, and the IIU is thus mandated to investigate the incident.

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 investigation is ongoing so no further details will be provided at this time.

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