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## RCMP officer charged with breach of trust following investigation of sexual misconduct while on-duty

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) has conducted its investigation into an allegation of sexual misconduct by an on-duty RCMP officer occurring in the Flin Flon, Manitoba area. The civilian director of the IIU has determined there are reasonable grounds to believe a criminal offence occurred and has authorized a charge of breach of trust pursuant to section 122 of the *Criminal Code*.

The IIU first advised it had launched an investigation into this matter on July 9, 2021.

On October 7, 2021, RCMP Cst. Nicholas James BARRETT, formerly of the Creighton RCMP detachment, was released on an undertaking and will appear in Provincial Court on November 23, 2021 in The Pas, Manitoba.

As this matter is now before the courts, the IIU will not make any further comment on its investigation.

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