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## IIU investigating serious injury during WPS arrest

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating circumstances surrounding an allegation of a serious injury sustained by an adult male during his arrest by Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) officers.

On May 5, WPS advised the IIU of an incident that occurred earlier that day around 9:11 a.m. in the area of Pembina Highway and Bishop Grandin Boulevard. Police were responding to a call for service. Police located a male suspect who was armed with a weapon. The male did not comply with requests to drop the weapon and a use of force encounter ensued. The male was taken into custody and subsequently conveyed to the Victoria General Hospital where it was determined that his elbow may be fractured.

As a fractured elbow is defined as a serious injury under the IIU regulations, 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 investigation is ongoing so no further details will be provided at this time.

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