

August 18, 2023

Case Number: 2023-0046

## **IIU investigating serious injuries related to WPS arrest**

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating circumstances surrounding the arrest of a male that resulted in him sustaining serious injuries.

On Aug. 17, Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) reported the following incident to the IIU. According to the notification, on Aug. 16 at approximately 5:02 a.m., WPS officers were called to a parking lot in the 1500 block of Regent Avenue concerning a report of a domestic disturbance. When police arrived, they observed the reported male and a female. Upon attempting to speak with the male, he suddenly fled, then turned and confronted officers. A conducted energy weapon was deployed and the male was taken into custody. He was then transported to Health Sciences Centre to be medically assessed, where it was reported that the male had a facial fracture and a broken rib.

As the disclosed injuries meet the definition of 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 the 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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