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IIU investigating fatal motor vehicle collision in Winnipeg

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating a mid-afternoon motor vehicle collision yesterday, in the vicinity of Sinclair Street and Boyd Avenue, that resulted in the death of an adult female.

The Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) has advised IIU that on September 13, 2016, at approximately 4:05 p.m., a marked police cruiser car attempted to stop a GMC Envoy in the vicinity of Sinclair Street and Boyd Avenue. When police activated their emergency equipment, the Envoy fled westbound on Boyd Avenue at a high rate of speed, soon striking a northbound truck on Sinclair Street. The Envoy then continued westbound, striking another vehicle parked on Boyd Avenue.

The Envoy then flipped and came to rest against the parked vehicle. The driver fled on foot, but was later apprehended and taken into custody by police. Four passengers were transported to hospital, where a 36-year-old female passenger was declared deceased.

The IIU was notified by WPS and has assumed responsibility for this investigation in accordance with section 65(1) of *The Police Services Act*. IIU investigators were immediately deployed to the scene. As this matter involves a fatality, a request for a civilian monitor will be made to the Manitoba Police Commission.

The investigation is ongoing, so no further details will be provided at this time. The IIU investigates all serious incidents involving police officers in Manitoba, whether occurring on or off duty. For more information about the IIU, visit www.iiumanitoba.ca.

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