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IIU investigating police pursuit and motor vehicle collision

Manitoba's Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating following a police pursuit and motor vehicle collision in Winnipeg early this morning.

Winnipeg Police Service advised the IIU that officers were in pursuit of a vehicle at approximately 2:45 a.m., westbound on Redwood. Less than a minute after the pursuit began, the suspect vehicle struck a car at the intersection of McPhillips and Redwood, hitting it on the passenger side. The driver of the suspect vehicle then fled on foot. Two adults in the second vehicle and four youths in the suspect vehicle were all transported to hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

The IIU was notified and investigators were deployed to the scene. The IIU has assumed responsibility for the investigation in accordance with section 65(1) of the Police Services Act.

As the investigation is ongoing, 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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