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IIU concludes investigation into motor vehicle collision on Toronto Street

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) has concluded its investigation into a motor vehicle collision that resulted in serious injuries to an adult male.

On May 31, 2017, the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) notified the IIU of a motor vehicle incident that occurred on May 30, 2017, at approximately 10:30 p.m. According to the notification, officers observed a black Ford Fusion travelling at a high rate of speed southbound on Toronto Street towards Ellice Avenue. Officers activated emergency equipment. The suspect vehicle attempted to cross Ellice and collided with another vehicle, resulting in the driver of that vehicle suffering two broken ribs. The suspect fled on foot and was subsequently arrested.

As this matter concerned a serious injury as defined under the IIU regulations, the IIU assumed responsibility for this investigation in accordance with Sec. 65(4) of the Police Services Act. IIU investigators were assigned to this investigation.

It is the IIU mandate to consider whether the serious injuries suffered by the affected person may have resulted from the actions of the police officers who were at the scene of the incident. The civilian director at the time completed a thorough review of all evidence and material facts obtained and concluded there was no evidence to support a finding of any level of contribution by any police officer to the cause of the collision and therefore no grounds to designate a police officer as a subject officer.

As a result, the IIU investigation is now complete and the civilian director's complete report is available online at www.iiumanitoba.ca.

The details of the investigation were first announced on May 31, 2017.

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