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IIU investigating officer-involved shooting in Portage la Prairie

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating an officer-involved shooting that occurred yesterday afternoon in Portage la Prairie.

According to information provided by police, on June 27, 2017, Portage la Prairie RCMP responded to a report of a stolen vehicle entering their detachment area and an extensive search for a male suspect was commenced. At approximately 6:00 pm, RCMP located and arrested the male suspect just east of Portage la Prairie. During the course of the arrest, the male suspect was shot and was subsequently transported to a Winnipeg hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

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

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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