

September 29, 2017

IIU investigating allegation of excessive force used on youth during arrest by Winnipeg Police

Manitoba's Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating a member of the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) concerning an allegation of excessive force during an arrest of a 12-year-old male.

According to WPS, the incident occurred shortly after noon on August 7, 2017 but did not come to the attention of the service until September 27, 2017. WPS immediately notified IIU of the circumstances of the matter.

Although this was not a serious injury as defined by regulations, the IIU civilian director determined it to be in the public interest for the agency to investigate.

The IIU investigates all serious incidents involving police officers in Manitoba, whether occurring on or off duty.

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