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MFNP officer charged with publication of an intimate image following IIU investigation

A Manitoba First Nations Police (MFNP) officer has been charged with two counts of publication of an intimate image without consent.

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) was notified of this matter and commenced an investigation into the allegation in December 2019. The investigation determined that the victim had no knowledge and did not consent to the images being distributed.

Civilian Director Zane Tessler is satisfied there are reasonable grounds to believe a criminal offence occurred and accordingly has authorized two charges of publication of an intimate image without consent, pursuant to section 162.1 of the Criminal Code

As directed by the Criminal Code of Canada the officer was arrested and released on an undertaking with conditions, including no contact or communication with the victim. The officer will appear in Provincial Court in Brandon on July 15, 2020.

To protect the identity of the victim, the IIU will not be releasing any further details.

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