

February 24, 2020

IIU investigating allegation of assault by BPS officers

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating an allegation of assault by Brandon Police Service (BPS) officers in the arrest of a 31-year-old female.

On February 20, 2020, BPS notified the IIU of a complaint received regarding an incident that occurred on February 5. BPS reported that on February 5, 2020, officers responded to a call about a domestic disturbance. Upon arrival on scene, when officers attempted to take a female into custody she became uncooperative and force was used to arrest her. The complaint indicates the female is alleging that during the course of her arrest she was assaulted by the arresting officers. While the allegation of injuries does not meet the definition of “serious injury” as defined by the IIU regulation 99/2015, the IIU civilian director has determined it is in the public interest for the IIU to investigate.

Witnesses or other individuals who have information or video footage that may assist this investigation are asked to contact the IIU toll free at 1-844-667-6060.

The investigation is ongoing so no further details will be provided at this time.

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