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IIU discontinues investigation into motor vehicle collision involving off-duty WPS officer

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) had previously released on May 4, 2020 that it was investigating the circumstances surrounding a motor vehicle collision involving an off-duty police officer, resulting in injuries to an individual.

The Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) notified the IIU on April 30, 2020 of an incident that took place on April 28 at approximately 5:15 p.m., where an off-duty police officer was travelling in a personal vehicle north bound on King Street. At that time, it came into collision with another vehicle travelling east on Logan Avenue, which failed to stop for a red light at the intersection of Logan Avenue and King Street. A passenger in the eastbound vehicle was injured and transported to the hospital in unstable condition, and later upgraded to stable condition.

During the initial stages of the investigation, the driver of the eastbound vehicle admitted to running a red light and accepted full responsibility for the collision. Therefore, it was determined that the mandate of the IIU was no longer applicable in this matter, as there is no culpable conduct on the part of the off-duty officer. Accordingly, IIU has discontinued its investigation and the file is closed.

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