

July 11, 2022

IIU investigating death while in police custody in Long Plains

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating the death of a male following his arrest by the Manitoba First Nations Police Service (MFNPS) in Long Plains, Manitoba.

On July 9, 2022, MFNPS reported an incident to IIU that occurred earlier that day. According to the notification, at approximately 2:17 p.m. on July 9, a male was arrested under the Intoxicated Persons Detention Act and lodged at the Long Plains MFNPS detachment. At approximately 3:21 p.m., he was found unresponsive in his cell. He was transported to the Portage la Prairie District Hospital, where he was later pronounced deceased.

The IIU has assumed responsibility for this investigation in accordance with section 65(1) of the Police Services Act. As this matter involves a fatality, a request for a civilian monitor will be made to the Manitoba Police Commission.

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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