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Case Number: 2024-0001

## **IIU investigating incident related to arrest in Winnipeg**

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating the circumstances surrounding the arrest of an adult male in Winnipeg.

On Jan. 3, Winnipeg Police Services (WPS) notified the IIU of an incident that occurred at 11:05 a.m. requiring police response. According to the notification, WPS responded to a call for service in the 200 block of Provencher Boulevard regarding a male grabbing onto his partner. Upon arrival, officers encountered an agitated and aggressive male trying to harm himself with his partner nearby. Officers were able to separate the male from his partner. While attempting to arrest the male a use of force encounter occurred, resulting in officers discharging a less lethal firearm as well as a conducted energy weapon. The male subsequently fell to the ground, where police were able to detain him. The male was transported to Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg for treatment and it was later determined he had bruising on his leg as result of the discharge of the firearm.

Given the injuries were caused by the deployment of a firearm, they meet the definition of a serious injury under the IIU regulations, the IIU is mandated to investigate.

Witnesses or 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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