INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION UNIT OF MANITOBA

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Case Number: 2025-0017

Final report now available: IIU concludes investigation into serious injuries related to RCMP arrest in Lake St. Martin First Nation

On March 21, 2025, the RCMP notified the IIU of an incident that occurred on March 19, 2025, at approximately 5 p.m. According to the notification, RCMP officers from the Gypsumville detachment attended Lake St. Martin First Nation to arrest an individual with an outstanding warrant for domestic violence. Officers located a vehicle in the ditch and saw the male flee on foot from the scene of the collision. He ran into a residence, where a use-of-force encounter occurred, during which RCMP deployed a conducted energy weapon.

The male was taken into custody and transported to the detachment, where he was assessed by emergency medical services. He was transported to Lakeshore General Hospital in Ashern and then transferred to Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg. The male was diagnosed with multiple facial fractures.

As this matter concerned injuries during an arrest, the IIU assumed responsibility for this investigation in accordance with Sec. 65(4) of the Police Services Act. IIU investigators were assigned to this investigation. The civilian director designated one subject officer and two witness officers. Investigators also spoke with the affected person.

The affected person had charges pending before the court as a result of this incident, which have now been disposed of. The IIU final report is now available at www.iiumanitoba.ca.

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