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IIU investigating alleged assault by police

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating after a suspect complained of being injured by Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) officers.

On December 1, 2016, WPS notified the IIU of an incident that occurred November 22 at approximately 2:00 p.m. in the area of McGregor Street and Magnus Avenue in Winnipeg. According to police, officers initiated a traffic stop. An individual fled from the vehicle, resulting in a short foot chase. After a struggle, the suspect was eventually placed in handcuffs and transported to a police station, where he complained of dizziness and pain to his head. He was then taken to hospital where he was treated and released back into police custody.

Although there were no serious injuries to the individual, the IIU civilian director has determined it is in the public interest for the unit to investigate the use of force used in this incident.

The IIU is asking witnesses and other individuals who have information or video footage that may assist this investigation to contact them toll-free at 1-844-667-6060.

As this investigation is ongoing, no further details will be provided at this time.

The IIU investigates all serious incidents involving police officers in Manitoba, whether occurring on or off duty. For more information about the IIU, visit www.iiumanitoba.ca.

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