

June 19, 2020

IIU investigating injuries related to RCMP arrest

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating the circumstances surrounding the arrest of a 48-year-old female that resulted in her sustaining a fractured wrist.

On June 16, 2020, the RCMP advised the IIU of an incident that occurred on June 11, 2020 at approximately 2:30 p.m. in Portage la Prairie. According to this notification, officers responded to a call for assistance at a residence. Upon arrival, they encountered a female who was combative and threatened police officers. Officers attempted to take the female into custody, but she continued to be uncooperative, and force was used to arrest her. She was arrested, transported to the detachment, and later released. On June 15, the female attended the detachment and advised that she had attended a hospital on June 14 and had been diagnosed with a fractured wrist.

As a fractured wrist is defined as a serious injury pursuant to regulations, the IIU is mandated to investigate.

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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Media inquiries may be directed to: Communications Services Manitoba, 204-945-3765.

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