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## **IIU investigating injuries following police pursuit**

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating the circumstances surrounding the arrest of a 23-year-old male that resulted in him sustaining a laceration to an ear and a possible collapsed lung.

On September 1, 2020, the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) advised the IIU of an incident that occurred earlier that morning just after midnight. According to the notification, WPS was notified by the RCMP that they were in pursuit of a stolen vehicle wanted in conjunction with a rural residential break and enter where firearms were stolen. RCMP advised WPS that the suspect vehicle was now inside city limits. At the intersection of Lagimodiere Boulevard and Dugald Road WPS engaged in a pursuit. The suspect drove the vehicle into the ditch in the area of Lagimodiere Boulevard and Grassie Boulevard. Two suspects fled the vehicle. One was arrested after a brief foot pursuit. The other individual was eventually located on Mahonee Drive and at the time of his arrest he had a laceration on his ear. He was subsequently transported to Health Sciences Centre for that injury however was admitted to hospital for a possible collapsed lung.

As an internal injury that requires admission to a hospital 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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204-945-3765.

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