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Case Number: 2022-0001

MFNPS officer charged following investigation into allegation of assault

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) has concluded its investigation into an allegation of assault by an on-duty Manitoba First Nations Police Service officer (MFNPS). Following the completion of the investigation, the civilian director forwarded the IIU investigative file to Manitoba Prosecution Service (MPS) and requested a review and opinion on whether any Criminal Code charges should be authorized. MPS has recommended charges in this matter.

As a result of the investigation, MFNPS officer Const. Gordie Ross and former officer Mathieu Poiron have been issued a summons for June 13, 2023, in The Pas provincial court for assault, contrary to section 266 of the Criminal Code.

The IIU issued a news release on January 4, 2022, advising that it had launched an investigation into the incident.

As this matter is now before the courts, the IIU will not make any further comment on its investigation.

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