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Case Number 2022-0017

## **Current and former Springfield police officer charged following IIU investigation into discharge of firearm**

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) has concluded its investigation into an allegation of a careless discharge of a firearm by a Springfield Police Service officer within the detachment office. The civilian director of the IIU has determined there are reasonable grounds to believe offences occurred under the Criminal Code.

As a result of the investigation, Springfield Police Service Cst. Jesse Zillman and Tyler Froese, a former officer with the police service, have each been issued a summons for December 6, 2022, in Beausejour Provincial Court for careless use of a firearm and obstruct justice, contrary to s. 86(1) and 139(2) of the Criminal Code.

The IIU issued a news release on May 2, 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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