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Case Number: 2023-0019

IIU concludes investigation into serious injury during RCMP arrest

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) has concluded its investigation into a serious injury sustained by an adult male during a Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) arrest in Thompson.

On March 21, RCMP reported an incident to the IIU that occurred on July 28, 2022, on Elk Bay in Thompson. According to the notification, on March 10, a male filed a complaint with the Civilian Review and Complaints Commission (CRCC) for the RCMP regarding an allegation of a serious injury that he sustained during his arrest by RCMP officers. on July 28, 2022. The male reported to the CRCC that he sustained a fractured skull as a result of the incident.

As this is a serious injury defined by regulations, the IIU is mandated to investigate.

The civilian director deferred the designation of any officers as a subject officer until more information was received through the investigation. This decision was re-evaluated and no officers were designated.

IIU investigators met and interviewed the affected person and the affected person's mother, and were provided with medical records. Following the completion of the IIU investigation, the evidence did not demonstrate that they suffered a 'serious injury' as defined in the IIU regulations (99/2015), as a result of interaction with police.

This incident no longer meets the IIU's mandate. Therefore, there is no further need for the IIU to investigate this incident and the matter will now be considered concluded.

The civilian director's report is available online at www.iiumanitoba.ca.

The details of the investigation were first announced on March 23.

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