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## IIU investigating incident during MFNPS arrest in Sandy Bay First Nation

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating the circumstances surrounding the arrest of a male in Sandy Bay First Nation.

On Sept. 27, the Manitoba First Nations Police Service (MFNPS) notified the IIU of an incident that occurred on Sept. 26 involving an arrest. According to the notification, during the course of the arrest a police service dog was used to apprehend the male, who sustained a dog bite. The male was subsequently transported to Portage District General Hospital for treatment.

Given the affected person suffered an injury but was not admitted as an inpatient, the incident does not meet the definition of a serious injury as per IIU regulations. However, the civilian director has determined it is in the public interest for the IIU 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 and no further details will be provided at this time.

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