

January 3, 2024 Case Number: 2023-0063

IIU concludes investigation surrounding motor vehicle collision in Dugald

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) has concluded its investigation into the circumstances surrounding serious injuries sustained by a teenage male, which coincided with a police-involved incident.

On Oct. 10, 2023, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) notified the IIU of an incident that occurred at 7:57 p.m. that same day while officers were conducting traffic enforcement on Provincial Trunk Highway (PTH) 15 east of Dugald. According to the notification, Selkirk RCMP encountered a motorcycle operated by a 16-year-old male travelling at a high rate of speed east on PTH 15 and attempted a traffic stop. The motorcycle passed by and subsequently struck another civilian vehicle. The driver of the motorcycle was located in the ditch and transported by STARS air ambulance to Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg with bone fractures. The driver of the secondary vehicle was not injured.

As this matter concerned serious injuries as defined under the IIU regulations, the IIU assumed responsibility for this mandatory investigation in accordance with Sec. 66(4) of the Police Services Act.

IIU investigators were assigned to this investigation and reviewed materials including:

- five computer automated reports
- vehicle and scene photographs
- recorded interview
- occurrence report, occurrence summary
- three supplemental reports
- three tickets
- query notes
- unit GPS date
- unit history report
- officer notes
- watch guard video

Based on information available, no officer was designated as a subject officer.

In considering the circumstances of the matter, and after a review of the evidence including the watch guard video and the affected person's statement, the civilian director was satisfied no police officers were responsible or contributed to the serious injuries sustained by the affected person. Given the evidence did not demonstrate the affected person suffered a serious injury as the result of the actions of a police officer, this incident no longer meets the IIU's mandate. Accordingly, this matter is now closed.

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

The details of the investigation were first announced on Oct. 12, 2023.

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