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Case Number: 2023-0075

IIU investigating injury related to arrest in Birdtail Sioux First Nation

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating the circumstances surrounding the arrest of an adult male in Birdtail Sioux First Nation.

On Nov. 24, the Manitoba First Nations Police Service (MFNPS) notified the IIU of an incident that resulted in an injury that required medical attention. According to the notification, on Nov. 22 at 7:42 p.m., members of the MFNPS responded to a call for service in Birdtail Sioux First Nation regarding a disturbance. Once officers arrived on the scene, they were met with an aggressive male. A use of force encounter occurred resulting in the affected person suffering facial injuries. The male was taken to Virden Health Centre.

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 so no further details will be provided at this time.

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