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Case Number: 2024-0002

IIU investigating serious injury related to an arrest in Winnipeg

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

On Jan. 12, the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) notified the IIU of an incident that resulted in a serious injury requiring medical attention. According to the notification, on Jan. 11 at 5:56 p.m. members of the WPS attended an address in the 500 block of William Newton Avenue regarding a male wanted on a Canada-wide immigration warrant. Officers met with the male at the door, however he immediately retreated into the house before officers could take him into custody. Officers attended to the second floor of the residence where they observed the male dive headfirst through a bedroom window. Officers searched the neighbourhood and located the male in the 500 block of Riverton Avenue, where a brief use of force encounter ensued to restrain the male and take him into custody. The male was transported to Health Sciences Centre Winnipeg for treatment and it was determined he had suffered a broken left arm and left hip/pelvis.

As broken bones meet the definition of a serious injury under the IIU regulations, the IIU is mandated to investigate.

Witnesses or individuals who have information or video footage that may assist the 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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