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IIU investigating collision involving a stolen truck and police vehicle in Winnipeg

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating the circumstances surrounding a motor vehicle collision involving a stolen truck and a police vehicle in Winnipeg.

On Sept. 15, the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) notified the IIU of an incident that resulted in serious injuries. According to the notification, on Sept. 14 at approximately 7:45 p.m. in the 800 block of Dudley Avenue, the owner of a Ford F-150 observed two people stealing his truck. The owner and a second adult male entered the truck's box and called 911.

With the two males still in the back of the truck, the suspects fled in the truck at a high rate of speed. Based on real-time directions from two males, police began converging in the area. Officers unsuccessfully deployed a tire deflation device and the truck continued in the area of Brandon Avenue and onto Osborne Street, where it struck an unmarked WPS unit. The force of the collision resulted in the truck's owner and the second male being ejected from the truck's box. Both males sustained serious injuries and were admitted to the Winnipeg Health Sciences Centre.

The owner of the truck suffered numerous fractures, including the clavicle, skull and spine. As these injuries meet the definition of serious injuries 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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