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IIU investigating injuries to youth during confrontation with WPS

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating after a youth sustained a gunshot wound during a confrontation with Winnipeg police.

The Winnipeg Police Service has notified the IIU that, a few minutes after midnight on October 4, police received a report of shots fired on Mountain Avenue and a number of armed males in the vicinity. Multiple police units were dispatched to the scene and, after arrival, shots were fired and a foot pursuit ensued.

After an extensive search of the area, two male youths were located and taken into custody. One of the arrested males was found to have sustained a non-life threatening gunshot wound. He was taken to Children's Hospital in stable condition, treated and released into police custody a short time later.

As any injury caused by discharge of a firearm is considered a serious injury under IIU regulations, the agency is mandated 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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