

November 22, 2019

IIU investigating officer-involved shooting

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating an officer-involved shooting involving a 16-year-old male that occurred last night in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

On November 21, 2019 the IIU was notified by the Winnipeg Police Service that this incident occurred during a call for service at a 7-Eleven store on Ellice Avenue and Arlington Street. Officer attended and located an armed suspect in the store. The suspect exited the store with a weapon in his hands. The suspect did not comply with officers' instructions to drop the weapon and continued to walk towards police. An officer then discharged his firearm, striking the suspect and causing injuries to him.

The male was subsequently transported to Health Sciences Centre and, at this time, remains in critical condition.

As any injury caused by the discharge of a firearm by a police officer is defined as a serious injury, the IIU 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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Media inquiries may be directed to:
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