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## IIU investigating injuries related to WPS arrest

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating the circumstances surrounding the arrest of a 19-year-old female that resulted in her sustaining a serious injury.

On January 19, 2020, the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) reported an incident to the IIU that occurred at approximately 11:59 p.m. on January 18 in the 2600 block of Pembina Highway. According to WPS, officers responded to a call for service regarding a female in distress. Upon attending, they observed that the female appeared to be intoxicated. WPS reported that when officers attempted to take the woman into custody she became uncooperative and resisted arrest. Upon being handcuffed, the woman reported soreness to her left arm. She was transported to Victoria Hospital where she was treated for fractures to her left arm.

As a fracture to the arm is defined as a serious injury under IIU regulations, 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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