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RCMP officer charged following IIU investigation into careless storage of firearm

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) has concluded its investigation into an incident involving the alleged careless storage of a firearm by an off-duty RCMP officer in northern Manitoba. The civilian director of the IIU has determined there are reasonable grounds to believe an offence occurred under the *Criminal Code*.

As a result of the investigation Cst. Richard JOHNSON has been issued a summons for December 15, 2021 in The Pas Provincial Court for careless storage of a firearm contrary to s. 86(1) of the *Criminal Code*.

The IIU issued a news release on February 9, 2021 advising that it had launched an investigation into the incident.

As this matter is now before the courts, the IIU will not make any further comment on its investigation.

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