

IIU concludes investigation into arrest by off-duty RCMP officer in Brandon

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) has concluded its investigation into the arrest of a female youth by an off-duty Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) officer in Brandon.

On Oct. 21, 2025, the Brandon Police Service (BPS) notified the IIU of an incident that occurred on Oct. 19, 2025, at approximately 12:04 a.m. According to the notification, BPS was dispatched to a residence in the first block of Hawthorn Crescent in Brandon. A woman reported that her daughter was brought home in handcuffs after being dropped off by a male, later identified as an off-duty RCMP officer.

BPS learned that five youths were playing a game of 'ding-dong-ditch', which involves ringing doorbells of residences and running away. The youths stated that a male resident at one of the homes, later identified as the off-duty RCMP officer, got into his vehicle, pursued them and apprehended one of the youths. The officer then accompanied the female youth to her residence while she was in handcuffs.

As this matter concerned the actions of an off-duty officer during an arrest, the IIU assumed responsibility for this investigation in accordance with Sec. 75 of the Police Services Act. IIU investigators were assigned to this investigation. The civilian director designated one subject officer, eight witness officers and one police associate witness. IIU investigators also received information from five civilian witnesses and spoke with the affected person.

Following due consideration of all the circumstances, the civilian director will not be authorizing charges. Therefore, no charges are recommended and the IIU investigation is now completed and closed.

The civilian director's complete report is available at www.iumanitoba.ca.

The details of the investigation were first announced on Oct. 29, 2025.

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