

**Report to / Rapport au:**

**OTTAWA POLICE SERVICES BOARD  
LA COMMISSION DE SERVICES POLICIERS D'OTTAWA**

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**SUBJECT: REPORT ON SIU INVESTIGATION**

**OBJET: RAPPORT SUR L'ENQUÊTE DE L'UES**

**REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

**That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.**

**RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT**

**Que la Commission de services policiers d'Ottawa prenne connaissance du présent rapport à titre d'information.**

**BACKGROUND**

The attached document outlines a call for service that resulted in the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) being called and invoking its mandate. The background of the incident, SIU findings and recommendations are provided. The Professional Standards Section completed an investigation into the policy, services and conduct of the involved members of the Ottawa Police Service (OPS)

**DISCUSSION**

On December 13, 2018, Frontline officers in the Elmvale Acres area arrested a male who was wanted on a warrant. During the arrest, the subject's mother attempted to interfere with the officers. She then assaulted one of the officers.

She was arrested so that the officers could complete the arrest of her son. Once her son was arrested, she was released unconditionally.

Shortly thereafter, the mother reported to OPS that she had been sexually assaulted during the arrest by one of the officers.

As a result of the allegation, the SIU was contacted and invoked its mandate.

## **INVESTIGATION**

### **Special Investigations Unit Investigation**

On September 20, 2019 the Ottawa Police Service received a letter from Mr. Joseph Martino, Interim Director of the Special Investigations Unit concerning the outcome of its investigation. In his letter, Mr. Martino stated the file has been closed and no further action is contemplated. He was satisfied that there were no grounds in the evidence to proceed with criminal charges.

### **Professional Standards Investigation**

Pursuant to Section 11(1) of Ontario Regulation 267/10 of the Police Services Act, the Professional Standards Section initiated an investigation into this incident to determine if the policies of, or services provided by the OPS were adhered to at the time of this incident, and to determine if the conduct of the involved police officers was appropriate.

After a careful review of the evidence in this case, it has been determined that there is no evidence of any misconduct on the part of the involved officers.

Conduct Findings – No conduct issues identified

Service Findings – No service issue identified

Policy Findings - No policy issue identified

## **CONSULTATION**

N/A

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

N/A

## **CONCLUSION**

The Professional Standard's Section has completed its Section 11 investigation and no further action will be taken in this matter.