

Media Statement

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Kamloops RCMP officer charged with assault causing bodily harm

Victoria – The BC Prosecution Service ("BCPS") announced today that a charge of assault causing bodily harm has been approved against Kamloops RCMP Cst Joedy Todd Henderson in relation to an incident that occurred on August 25, 2017, while he was on duty in Kamloops.

An information charging Cst Henderson with one count of assault causing bodily harm contrary to s.267(b) of the *Criminal Code* was sworn on December 6, 2017 under court file number 105121 in the Provincial Court of British Columbia at Kamloops. The first appearance on this matter is scheduled for January 11, 2018 in Kamloops Provincial Court.

The charge was approved by an experienced Crown counsel who is located in a different area of the province than the officer under investigation, and who has no prior or current connection with this officer. The Charge Assessment Guidelines applied by the BCPS in reviewing all Reports to Crown Counsel are established in Branch policy and are available online at:

www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/law-crime-and-justice/criminal-justice/prosecution-service/crowncounsel-policy-manual/cha-1-charge-assessment-guidelines.pdf

As this matter is before the courts, the BCPS is unable to release additional information or comment further at this time.

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