

Media Statement

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Charge approved against Vancouver Police Officer in motor vehicle incident

Victoria - The BC Prosecution Service (BCPS) announced today that a charge of driving without reasonable consideration, contrary to s. 144(1)(b) of the Motor Vehicle Act has been approved against Vancouver Police Constable Jose Domingo. The charge relates to a collision between two police vehicles which resulted in injuries to pedestrians and police officers. The incident occurred on June 29, 2018, while Cst. Domingo was on duty in Vancouver.

An information charging Cst. Domingo with this offence was sworn June 28, 2019 in Vancouver Provincial Court, file number 254970. Cst. Domingo has a first appearance scheduled for August 8, 2019 in Vancouver Provincial Court at 222 Main St.

As a consequence of the injuries suffered by the pedestrians, the incident was investigated by the Independent Investigations Office (IIO). Following the investigation the Chief Civilian Director of the IIO determined that there were reasonable grounds to believe the officers driving the two vehicles involved had committed an offence, and submitted a report to the BCPS. No charges were approved against the other police officer involved.

The Charge Assessment Guidelines applied by the Prosecution Service in reviewing all Reports to Crown Counsel are set out in the Prosecution Service Policy Manual and are available online at:

www.gov.bc.ca/charge-assessment-guidelines

As this matter is now before the court the BCPS is unable to release additional information or comment further.

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