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Calgary Police Service member charged in internet luring case

Calgary... The Alberta Serious Incident Response Team (ASIRT) has charged a Calgary Police Service officer with luring a child.

ASIRT was requested to begin an investigation by the Calgary Police Service following a conduct complaint against one of its officers. The Alberta Integrated Child Exploitation (ICE) Unit assisted in the two-month long investigation.

Four computers were seized from a Calgary home and those computers will be examined to determine if there is information stored on them related to this criminal charge.

Twenty-six-year-old Randann Sargent was arrested and charged with one count of using a computer system to communicate with a person he believed to be under the age of 18 years, for the purpose of facilitating the commission of an offense.

Sargent has served for two-and-a-half years with the Calgary Police Service. He was arrested on June 11 and released on his own recognizance but must abide by a number of conditions. His first court date will be July 2.

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ASIRT is a provincially funded unit led by a civilian director. It's mandated to effectively, independently and objectively investigate incidents involving Alberta's police that have resulted in serious injury or death to any person as well as sensitive allegations of police misconduct.

The Alberta Integrated Child Exploitation (ICE) unit is a provincially funded enforcement team under the direction of the Alberta Law Enforcement Response Teams. ICE is mandated to protect children by investigating internet crimes involving the abuse and/or sexual exploitation of children