

November 3, 2010

Ms. Nathalie Des Rosiers
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Canadian Civil Liberties Association
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Dear Ms. Des Rosiers:

Re: Public Hearings to Examine Police Activity

Thank you for the invitation to attend the Public Hearings to Examine Police Activity during the G-20 Summit in Toronto, co-hosted by the Canadian Civil Liberties Association and the National Union of Public and General Employees.


Two staff members from my office will attend and observe the proceedings. Staff members from the OIPRD, however, are not able to participate in the process. As you know, the *Police Services Act* imposes a duty of confidentiality on my staff. The OIPRD is not in a position to present a perspective, answer any questions or offer insight or comment on the interaction of police and the public during the G-20 Summit.

The OIPRD is currently dealing with public complaints involving the conduct, policies and services of police during the G-20 Summit and is conducting a review of issues of a systemic nature resulting from the policing of the G-20 Summit. Our work is ongoing. Any comment of the issues would be both premature and contrary to our statutory duties.

I look forward to receiving the final details of the event, including the time and location of the public hearings.

Thank you, once again, for your invitation.

Yours truly,



Gerry McNeilly
Independent Police Review Director