

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- Minutes of 24 February 97 issued separately

That the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Police Services Board confirm the Minutes of the 24 February 1997 meeting.

INQUIRIES

PUBLIC DELEGATIONS

MR. GUETTA RE:

IMPROVED FUNDING AND SAFETY FOR YOUNG OFFICERS

- Board Secretary's memo dated 19 Mar 97 and attached letter from Mr. Guetta dated 17 Mar 97

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That the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board receive this presentation for information.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. PUBLIC COMPLAINTS REPORT (AS OF FEBRUARY 1997)

- Chief's report dated 19 Mar 97

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

2. OPP PUBLIC COMPLAINTS REPORT (AS OF 31 JANUARY 1997)

- A/Inspector's report dated 17 Mar 97

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

3. 1997 POLICE & COMMUNITY AWARDS CEREMONIES
- Chief's report dated 14 Mar 97 20

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

4. CONTRACT FOR POLICING SERVICES OTTAWA
MACDONALD CARTIER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
- Chief's report dated 17 Mar 97 26

That the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board approve the negotiation and execution of a contract for the provision of policing and canine explosive detection services with the Macdonald Cartier International Airport Authority, on a full cost recovery basis.

5. RESPONSE TO SUGGESTIONS RE: POLICE TELEPHONE SYSTEM
- Chief's report dated 12 Mar 97 30

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

6. RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE CANADIAN
ASSOCIATION OF POLICE BOARDS' ANNUAL MEETING
- Board Secretary's report dated 19 Mar 97 33

That the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board approve the three Resolutions and agree to forward them to the Canadian Association of Police Boards for consideration at its 1997 Annual Meeting and Conference in June.

- a) SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN

WHEREAS the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board continues to be very concerned about the vulnerability of children, especially those preyed upon by adults who sexually abuse them;

WHEREAS the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board recognizes that the sexual exploitation of children represents a pervasive and predatorial criminal activity resulting in the systematic destruction of many young lives and futures; and

WHEREAS the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board believes that Canadian society often remains unaware of the extent of this very serious public safety issue;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board forward this resolution to the Canadian Association of Police Boards requesting that it:

- 1. Communicate to the Federal Minister of Justice the critical need for a National Strategy to enhance awareness about the victimization of children who are sexually exploited; and**
- 2. Communicate to the Federal Minister of Justice the need to allocate the necessary resources, specialized training, technology, and public education initiatives to ensure optimum protection for children.**

b) CAR-JACKINGS

WHEREAS the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board has taken note of an alarming trend throughout Canada of criminals stealing motor vehicles by use of violence or threats of violence to the occupants of those vehicles;

WHEREAS robberies of this nature generally involve weapons and a high degree of risk to the personal safety of drivers and passengers;

WHEREAS the victims of these crimes tend to be members of more vulnerable groups, particularly women;

WHEREAS Canadians have an expectation of and a right to safety within their motor vehicles, just as they have within their own homes; and

WHEREAS the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board believes that it is necessary for the Government of Canada to declare that this crime has been identified as a significant problem and will be dealt with as such;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board forward this Resolution to the Canadian Association of Police Boards requesting that it recommend to the Minister of Justice that legislation be enacted providing that upon conviction for a robbery involving a motor vehicle, in addition to the sentence imposed, an additional consecutive mandatory minimum period of incarceration will apply.

c) HOME INVASION ROBBERIES

WHEREAS home invasion robberies are particularly traumatic and terrifying crimes, generally involving weapons, threats, and a high degree of personal violence;

WHEREAS there is a need for the Canadian public to feel safe and secure within the sanctity of their own homes;

WHEREAS offences of violence which strike at the right of members of the public to the security of their own homes and to freedom from intrusion therein must be treated with utmost seriousness; and

WHEREAS the Alberta Court of Appeal in the case of R. v. Matwi has ruled that the starting point in considering a sentence for a home invasion robbery should be eight years imprisonment;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board forward this resolution to the Canadian Association of Police Boards requesting that it recommend to the Minister of Justice that legislation be enacted providing a minimum mandatory penalty of eight years for robbery committed within a private dwelling house.

7. THANK YOU LETTER FROM MINISTER OF JUSTICE

RE: YOUTH JUSTICE

- Letter from the Honourable A. Rock, Minister of Justice

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That the Ottawa-Carleton Police Services Board receive this for information.

8. REGULAR REPORT FROM THE CHIEF AND OPP INSPECTOR

- verbal update from Chief B. Ford and A/Inspector M. Hopkins

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OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT