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Dear Mr. Therien:

I am writing to you regarding your July 4, 2005 correspondence to the Honourable Gary Doer, Premier of Manitoba, concerning your request for information related to Manitoba's recent firearms amnesty period.

I can advise you that the recent successful firearms amnesty program in Manitoba was a month long initiative that began June 1, 2005 and concluded June 30, 2005. All municipal police, RCMP, railway police and military police in Manitoba participated in the firearms amnesty program (see attached list).

During the firearms amnesty period 315 firearms, including 213 rifles, 66 shotguns, 36 handguns, 1480 individual rounds of ammunition, and 39 boxes of assorted ammunition were turned in to police for destruction.

Thank you for your interest in and support for this important public safety initiative. If you require further information concerning this issue please contact Mr. A. Brolly, Director, Aboriginal and Community Law Enforcement, directly at (204) 945-5556.

Yours truly,

Gordon Mackintosh
Minister of Justice
Attorney General

Attachment

c. Premier Doer