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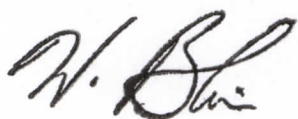
Dear Mr. Traversy:

In my capacity as Chief of Police for the Toronto Police Service I am pleased to write to you in support of the application of "All Points Bulletin" (APB) for the status of a "Public Interest" service in accordance with Article 9(1)(h) of the *Broadcast Act*.

Public communications from law enforcement agencies are critical in the maintenance of civil order, crime investigation, and crime prevention. I understand that the French language equivalent of APB, "Avis de Recherche" (ADR) has been assisting police services in the Province of Quebec by providing high quality, informative and educational programming aimed at strengthening the role of the community in matters of public safety. It is my belief that Canadian law enforcement would benefit from the retention of ADR's status as a "Public Interest" service and also from the availability of a similar English language service throughout the rest of Canada.

The Toronto Police Service values strong and effective community partnerships and therefore I respectfully request that the CRTC approve the applications by "All Points Bulletin" and "Avis de Recherche" for the status of "Public Interest" service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Blair". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "W." and the last name "Blair" clearly distinguishable.

William Blair, C.O.M.
Chief of Police

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