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February 25, 2013

Secretary General John Traversy Canadian Radio-television & Telecommunications Commission Ottawa, ON K1A 0N2

Dear Mr. Traversy,

Re: Notice of Consultation: CRTC 2013-19

Reference Numbers: 2012-1051-7 and 2012-0689-7

On behalf of Chief Devon Clunis, I am writing in support of the renewal of Avis de recherche's (ADR-TV) television license, as well as its renewal of its "Public Interest" status as per Article 9(1)h) of the Broadcast Act.

The Winnipeg Police Service supports the APB proposal for a television channel whose programming will make Canada a safer place to be. "It is our understanding that Avis de Recherche (ADR) has been embraced by our colleagues in the province of Quebec and that the service has surpassed their initial expectations. Not only has ADR contributed in locating wanted suspects and missing persons, it has also assisted law enforcement agencies and other public safety bodies in informing and educating Quebecers in all matters pertaining to public safety. Further, it has been used as a vehicle by all public safety bodies to reach out to the community with informative programming aimed at improving the safety and the over all well-being of the community.

More importantly, we would equally like to benefit from the availability of a similar English language service in the rest of Canada. Like its sister station (ADR) in Quebec, which is fully supported by Chiefs of Police in Quebec, APB will work closely with Public Safety agencies in a collaborative effort to promote safety, education, and information to views in regards to crime prevention matters.







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As such, we whole heartedly support the APB application before you believing that this communication model is a true asset to community safety and a proactive component to community based initiatives throughout Canada, and respectfully request that the CRTC approve the application by "All Points Bulletin" (APB) and grant it the same status as ADR in accordance with Article 9(1 h) of the Broadcast Act."

Yours truly,

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