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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and

> Commissioner Thomas Carrique Chairs, Police Services Boards

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SUBJECT: Crime Gun Submissions to the Firearms Tracing and

Enforcement (FATE) Program

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Further to the All Chiefs Memo 20-0011, dated March 4, 2020, regarding the submission of firearm data to the ministry, this memorandum seeks to clarify that crime gun information should be forwarded directly to the Firearms Tracing and Enforcement (FATE) program administered by Criminal Intelligence Service Ontario (CISO).

The FATE program provides support to Ontario police services and international partners, assisting them with the identification of groups and trends in the trafficking and/or smuggling of crime guns, as well as identifying links in cases between jurisdictions.

Information about crime guns should be forwarded to CISO as soon as the guns come into the possession of the police service. The attached Crime Gun Submission Form should be used for this purpose and emailed to firearmtracing@ontario.ca.

The following are criteria for a crime gun:

- is used or has been used in a criminal offence;
- is obtained, possessed or intended to be used to facilitate criminal activity;
- has a removed or obliterated serial number(s);
- is found; and
- includes any weapon that has been adapted to be used as a firearm.

As a reminder, police services are required to **continue to submit** firearm data to the ministry pursuant to ACM 20-0011, to satisfy requirements of s.134 of the *Police Services Act*, using the template provided. A copy of this template is being re-attached to this memo for your reference.

If you have any questions regarding the FATE program or submission of crime gun information, please contact CISO through either Scott Ferguson, at Scott.Ferguson@ontario.ca or (416) 407-1842, or Michael McMenemy, at Michael.McMenemy@ontario.ca or (416) 679-2100.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Attachments