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Maja Tait, President
Craig Hodge, Co-Chair, LGCMC
Union of BC Municipalities
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Dear Maja Tait and Craig Hodge:

Thank you for your letter of March 31, 2020, regarding the auxiliary policing program, and for informing me of the recent decision of the UBCM Executive to support a temporary implementation of the new RCMP auxiliary program (tier 3). I am writing to confirm that we are exploring options with the RCMP National Headquarters and "E" Division to implement an interim auxiliary program for interested municipalities, and we hope to have more information to share in the coming weeks.

We remain committed to finding a solution to ensure municipalities have access to resources that will assist in alleviating pressures on frontline policing, and we will ensure that you and other stakeholders are informed as soon as possible.

In the interim, please contact Therese Nicholson by telephone at: 778 974-4847 or email at: Therese.Nicholson@gov.bc.ca should you have any additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Mike Farnworth
Minister of Public Safety
and Solicitor General

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