

Airdrie, Alberta
April 11, 2018

MY FILE: 139

Ms. Suzanne Legault
The Information Commissioner of Canada
30 Victoria Street, 7th Floor
Gatineau, Quebec
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Dear Ms. Legault:

Re: MISSING RECORDS COMPLAINT – RCMP ATIP FILE: A-2017-01112

Please find attached: (1) a copy of my original *Access to Information Act* request to the RCMP dated January 30, 2017; and (2) Immediately below the link to the RCMP's 28-page non-response dated April 3, 2018. It is very disappointing to get such a poor response to my request after waiting for 14 months.

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2018/04/10/rcmp-wont-say-cz858-easily-converted-full-auto/>

I am complaining about the RCMP failing to provide records that would provide any reasonable response to the simple questions any reasonable person (including the Minister, the Commissioner of the RCMP, the Auditor General, the Treasury Board Secretariat, the PCO, members of the Minister's Firearms Advisory Committee or a reporter) would ask the RCMP to justify their public claim: ***"CZ858 Tactical-2P firearm proofed 2007 can be converted to a fully automatic firearm in a relatively short period of time with relative ease"***.

The terms '**short period of time**' and '**relative ease**' are very dependent on a number of factors:

- (1) On the qualifications and expertise of the person doing the conversion,
- (2) The facility, tools and equipment needed to make the conversion, and
- (3) The cost and availability of the parts needed to make the conversion.

I suspect not the kind of conversion a gang-banger could do in his basement with tools and parts available from Canadian Tire.

The RCMP's decisions to prohibit firearms and devices could land heretofore law-abiding citizens in jail and/or destroy the value of an individual firearm that is worth thousands of dollars or a collection of 'variants' that are worth tens of thousands of dollars or more. Not to mention the violation of their property rights under the Canadian Bill of Rights, their right to due process that same bill and their right to be compensated at the fair-market-value for these firearms – said value as determined before the RCMP prohibition was made public. It is a travesty if these 28 pages are all the 'evidence' the government and the RCMP have to justify just this one example of the dozens of firearms prohibitions decisions they routinely make. Further, it breaks a pre-election promise by Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau in support of '**evidence-based firearms policy**'.

Yours sincerely,

[Original signed by]

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ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT

Access to Information Request Form

For official use only:

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Federal Government Institution:

RCMP HQ OTTAWA & CANADA FIREARMS PROGRAM

Details regarding the information being sought:

Reference to the following news report: **CZ858 "SPARTAN" DECLARED PROHIBITED BY RCMP**
EXCERPT: The RCMP FRT entry also states that the "CZ858 Tactical-2P' firearm proofed 2007 can be converted to a fully automatic firearm in a relatively short period of time with relative ease".
January 9, 2017 Brian News 35 <https://canadianfirearmsblog.ca/cz858-spartan-declared-prohibited/>

Please provide copies of all records showing how the CZ858 is 'converted to a fully automatic firearm in a relatively short period of time with relative ease.' Please include copies of records showing the following:

- (1) the number and types of equipment used to easily convert the CZ858 to full auto;
- (2) the parts required to easily convert the CZ858 to full auto;
- (3) the person-minutes required to easily convert the CZ858 to full auto;
- (4) the qualifications of the gunsmith(s) that easily converted the CZ858 to full auto; and
- (5) the estimated cost to easily convert the CZ858 to full auto.

Method of access preferred: ☐ Receive copies of originals ☐ Examine originals in government offices

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This request for access to information under the Access to Information Act is being made by:

☒ a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or another individual present in Canada, or
☐ a corporation present in Canada

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Signature: _____
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Date: January 30, 2017