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Your file - Votre référence

Our file - Notre référence A-2018-00301 / AL

May 15th, 2020

Dennis R. Young 1330 Ravenswood Drive SE Airdrie, Alberta T4A 0P8

Dear Dennis R. Young:

This is further to your request under the *Access to Information Act* for:

(As clarified on August 11, 2019) - "For the period from October 2015 to present please provide copies of all studies, papers, proposals, impact assessments, cost-benefit analyses, recommendations, polls, focus groups, Briefing Notes to the Minister and Advice to the Minister examining the efficacy, arguments for and against and advantages and disadvantages of gun control measures considered by the government including the following:

- 1. Banning handguns
- 2. Banning semi-automatic firearms
- 3. Banning all firearms
- 4. Central Storage/Repositories for firearms in urban centres.
- -Exclude submissions, recommendations received via the engagement process.
- -Include only records the department has before the Minister announced the engagement process.
- -Include only the attachments of the Briefing Binders and Briefing Packages that relate to the description of the request.
- -Exclude Cabinet Confidences.
- -Exclude the Minister's responses to Ministerial correspondence."

Public Safety Canada has partially completed the processing of your request. After review, it has been determined that some of the information can be released. A copy of the interim release package is enclosed.

Please note that some information has been withheld pursuant to sections 13(1)(c), 14, 16(2), 19(1), 21(1)(a), 21(1)(b), 21(1)(c) and 23 of the Act. A summary of the sections is enclosed.

Also enclosed, as requested in your August 11, 2019 communication with Anita Lloyd of this office, is a listing of the documents being treated as "Not Relevant" because they either are, or potentially contain, cabinet confidences.

Please be advised that you are entitled to complain to the Information Commissioner concerning the processing of your request. You complaint must be made within sixty days of the receipt of this notice. In the event that you decide to avail yourself of this right, your notice of complaint should be addressed to:

Office of the Information Commissioner of Canada 30 Victoria Street
Gatineau, Quebec K1A 1H3
Online: www.oic-ci.gc.ca

Should you require additional information, please contact Kristina Andison, ATIP Team Leader, at Kristina.Andison@canada.ca.

Sincerely,

André Chartrand (e-signature)

André Chartrand Manager, Access to Information and Privacy

Enclosures

Access to Information Sections

- 13(1)(c) OBTAINED IN CONFIDENCE FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF A PROVINCE Records contain information that was obtained in confidence from the government of a province or an institution thereof.
- 14 FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS The release of the information would be injurious to the conduct by the Government of Canada of federal-provincial affairs.
- 16(2) SECURITY The release of the information could reasonably be expected to facilitate the commission of an offence.
- 16(2)(a) CRIMINAL METHODS OR TECHNIQUES The release of the information could reasonably be expected to facilitate the commission of an offence, including, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, any such information on criminal methods or techniques.
- 19(1) PERSONAL INFORMATION Records contain personal information as defined in section 3 of the Privacy Act.
- 21(1)(a) ADVICE OR RECOMMENDATIONS Records contain advice or recommendations developed by or for a government institution or a minister of the Crown.
- 21(1)(b) CONSULTATIONS OR DELIBERATIONS Records contain an account of consultations or deliberations in which directors, officers or employees of a government institution, a minister of the Crown or the staff of a minister participate.
- 21(1)(c) PLANS OR POSITIONS FOR NEGOTIATIONS Records contain positions or plans developed for the purpose of negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the Government of Canada and considerations relating thereto if the record came into existence less than twenty years prior to the request.
- 23 SOLICITOR-CLIENT PRIVILEGE INFORMATION Records contain information that is subject to solicitor-client privilege.

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