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Dear Juanita:

Thank you for your correspondence of May 12, 2023, in which you inquire about the municipal engagement process for our national contact policing assessment.

Public Safety Canada (PS) is currently conducting the first phase of our engagement plans, which involves meeting with provincial and territorial partners. To date, some provinces have chosen to include municipal representatives as part of these sessions.

Our second phase of engagement plan entails virtual sessions with municipal partners, and targeted engagement sessions with First Nations, Inuit, and Metis partners, and other stakeholders. PS will be looking to schedule engagement sessions with all municipal contract partners, grouped by jurisdiction, in the coming weeks. We will certainly include you and your group in these discussions.

Additionally, as you mention in your letter, all partners are invited and encouraged to provide written submissions via email to [cpassessment-evaluationpc@ps-sp.gc.ca](mailto:cpassessment-evaluationpc@ps-sp.gc.ca), which we are seeking by the end of Summer 2023.

Based on feedback we receive, PS will develop a "What We Heard" report in Fall 2023, which will be an important first step as we collectively consider a more sustainable and accountable policing model beyond the expiry of the current Police Service Agreements in 2032.

We look forward to working with Nova Scotia and municipal partners to hear your important perspectives regarding contract policing.

Yours sincerely,

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