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BCACP STATEMENT ON THE FIREARMS REGISTRY

Gun violence and firearms related crime continue to be of serious concern in British Columbia. The British Columbia Association of Chiefs of Police (BCACP) supports the Firearms Registry as one part of an overall and comprehensive national strategy on gun violence and the illegal use of firearms.

According to the RCMP-Canadian Firearms Program the Canadian Firearms Registry is queried an average of 2712 times a day in British Columbia. The Registry should be retained and continued efforts be made by the government of Canada to improve its efficiency and effectiveness for law enforcement. Any decision on the future of the Registry should be made in the context of a comprehensive and well thought out, multifaceted government strategy to reduce gun violence and firearms related crime.

The topic will be the subject of further discussion at the next meeting of the BCACP in June.

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