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Resolution 2024-01

Enhancing Canada's National Capacity to Combat Fraud

Submitted by the Private Sector Liaison Committee

- WHEREAS** the exponential impact rate of fraud on Canadians and Canada's economy, in particular the ease of committing offences being enabled by the proliferation of disruptive technologies in the cyber-enabled fraud space such as sophisticated in-app payments, mobile device penetration and ever-improving connectivity among Internet of Things devices, represents an unprecedented challenge that government, law enforcement agencies and other key partners are not adequately configured and resourced to address; and
- WHEREAS** unlike many of our international partners, such as Australia, current Canadian legislation does not extend far enough in its ability to properly address the extent to which fraud results in societal harm to Canadians, both in terms of its impact constituting online harm and the significant associated negative impact to health and mental well-being of victims. Nor are there adequate measures and authorities to sufficiently require service providers to prevent or remove malicious content, enable timely information sharing between the private sector and law enforcement, or for Canadian jurisdictional authorities to ably pursue and prosecute those committing fraud; and
- WHEREAS** the capacity and capabilities of the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre, recognized as a centralized national authority for engagement for reporting and tracking fraud impacting Canadians, do not currently align with the ever-increasing requirements to both authoritatively define and execute the necessary responsive activities to address the growth rate of fraud in Canada, especially given that current reporting of fraud represents only a small percentage of actual occurrence; and
- WHEREAS** within Canada's law enforcement community there is limited capacity to coordinate national-level investigations and currently no single organization is resourced for conducting and supporting multi-jurisdiction, large scale fraud investigations, resulting in a downloading to other authorities without sufficient resources to achieve results; and
- WHEREAS** there are a number of mature initiatives across Canada and internationally to combat fraud, including the [*United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime*](#), there is currently no active national strategic approach providing a foundation for the coordination, unification and integration of anti-fraud activities between law enforcement, governments and private sector partners.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP) calls upon the Government of Canada, together with its provincial and territorial partners through the federal-provincial-territorial process, law enforcement and private sector partners to **develop a National Anti-Fraud Strategy**, with immediate attention on modernizing and enhancing the capacity and capabilities of law enforcement to conduct activities resulting in meaningful reduction in cyber-enabled fraud by:

1. Assessing the capability and capacity gaps that exist within the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (CAFC) with a view to enhancing its activities, including potential authorities and resources for conducting and coordinating intelligence and investigations, that tangibly result in a reduction in fraud victimization;
2. Enhancing the efficiency of interface points between the CAFC, other Canadian and international law enforcement partners and the fraud reduction response activities of private industry when it comes to dealing with both specific and non-specific instances of fraud;
3. Conducting a legislative review, including a review of the proposed [*Online Harms Act \(Bill C-63\)*](#), to ensure that fraud is properly represented to support prosecutorial authorities, private sector reduction and response activities, while appropriately respecting privacy concerns, and to support increased law enforcement activities and legislative tools, such as facilitating the detention of devices used in these complex investigations; and
4. Providing, as part of a National Anti-Fraud Strategy, support for increased collaboration between non-law enforcement partners to better align anti-fraud activities through the establishment of a public-private partnership-led centre of responsibility to provide support through networking engagements, enabled information sharing, and potential resource sharing opportunities.

Resolution 2024-02

Funding the Next Generation Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC) System

Submitted by the Information and Communications Technology Committee

- WHEREAS** the Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC) system continues to be a mission critical public safety system that is part of the National Police Services (NPS) and serves as the primary hub of communication for Canadian police information for over 300 domestic law enforcement and other public safety agencies and a wide range of international policing partners; and
- WHEREAS** the Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) is responsible for the administration and operation of the CPIC system on behalf of the CPIC user community; and
- WHEREAS** the CPIC system has reached its end-of-life phase and is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain to meet the needs and requirements of the policing community; and
- WHEREAS** adding new functionality is particularly challenging, costly, and in some cases not possible, due to infrastructure limitations; and
- WHEREAS** the current system fails to meet the industry redundancy standards required for a mission critical system; and
- WHEREAS** there is an outstanding official languages complaint for support of diacritical marks (i.e. accented characters) which the existing system does not support; and
- WHEREAS** Shared Services Canada (SSC) will be upgrading the [CPIC] mainframe in 2027 with a likely shutdown of the datacentre in 2031, as such, the next generation of the CPIC system will either have to accelerate the project to move to the Cloud, or move CPIC first to a new datacentre and then to the Cloud which will cause significant delays and increased costs; and
- WHEREAS** updating the CPIC system would provide new abilities such as data analytics and improved interoperability that would significantly enhance the ability of the system to support law enforcement, reducing effort and enhancing situational awareness that would provide net improvements to public safety across Canada; and
- WHEREAS** the NPS would require necessary and dedicated funding to allow the CPIC to carry out its mandate as a National Police Service; and

WHEREAS if funding is not provided to support the next generation of the CPIC system, it will further create a gap between the law enforcement needs and CPIC capabilities, resulting in an increased risk to public and officer safety.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police calls on the Government of Canada, represented by Public Safety Canada, to adequately resource and appropriately fund the RCMP's National Police Service Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC) Modernization initiative.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police calls on the Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC) to identify, prioritize and implement the requirements for the next generation CPIC system, as well as provide updated policy and training to ensure the successful implementation of an updated system in support of Canadian law enforcement.

Resolution 2024-03

Addressing the impact on policing of an increase in volume and harmful content of protests

Submitted by the Law Amendments Committee

WHEREAS the primary role of the police in any protest, demonstration or assembly is to preserve the peace, protect life and property, and enforce the law; and

WHEREAS global conflicts have led to increased protests and demonstrations in cities across the country; and

WHEREAS in certain countries, the use of violence is an accepted vehicle for social change and that, through in-migration, thousands of people who may have an orientation towards violence as a means of expression or activism continue to arrive in Canada each year; and

WHEREAS protests are an opportunity for blending by other activist/splinter groups who attach themselves to demonstrations to create disruption, leading to greater escalations from peaceful demonstrations to more high-risk situations; and

WHEREAS there has been an increase in online activity by protesters targeting (e.g. doxing) police officers; and

WHEREAS negative police interactions in Canada and around the world affect the perception of, reaction to, and respect for the police in Canada; and

WHEREAS the number of line of duty assaults, injuries, and deaths of police officers has been on the rise in Canada; and

WHEREAS dedicated police teams are being pulled away from their regular duties (e.g. dealing with break and enters, home invasions, and other crimes) to help manage protests and demonstrations, causing significant human and financial resource challenges for police agencies.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP) calls on all levels of government (federal, provincial and municipal) to provide police services with additional and sufficient human and financial resources, as well as the training and equipment required, to manage the increased volume and risks of protests and demonstrations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CACP calls on the Department of Justice Canada to amend [Bill C-63 – the Online Harms Act](#) to include a provision that would make it illegal to dox the police.