

CACP POLICING WITH FIRST NATIONS, MÉTIS AND INUIT PEOPLES COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT 2015 – 2016

Introduction

The Policing with First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples (PFNMIP) Committee is actively pursuing a renewed mandate with an enthusiastic membership that brings together broad representation of Canadian police services and stakeholders. This Committee offers an important mechanism to ensure that the needs and circumstances of Canada's indigenous peoples are recognized and addressed in keeping with the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP) mission of safety and security for all Canadians through innovative police leadership.

Committee Mandate:

The PFNMIP Committee mandate is to consider matters relating to sustainable policing services and enhanced public safety for indigenous peoples and their communities throughout Canada. This focus reflects a strong alignment with the CACP's new mission and objectives, as adopted at the Association's Annual General Meeting in August 2013. The Committee is intent on working collaboratively and meaningfully toward the common purpose of the CACP.

Committee Structure and Priorities:

The Committee retained its Committee Co-Chair structure through 2015 – 2016 and successfully added to its membership through representation from urban areas with significant indigenous populations. Co-Chair Superintendent Tyler Bates of the RCMP was replaced by Chief Superintendent Shirley Cullierrier of the RCMP. The Committee meeting schedule includes fall and spring meetings, with the possibility of additional meetings, either in person or via teleconference.

The Committee's strategic priorities for 2015 – 2016 were reviewed and confirmed at its fall meeting:

1. Working with the Missing Murdered Indigenous Women's Inquiry, and assisting all Canadian Police Agencies in their support of the inquiry.
2. Planning the first CACP National Conference on the topic of working together with the Indigenous Communities of Canada.
3. Sustainability for policing with First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples.
4. Crime prevention, reduction, detection and investigation of all matters that specifically affect First Nations, Métis and Inuit communities.
5. Build and sustain respectful partnerships, addressing service delivery and social welfare issues to enhance First Nations, Métis and Inuit policing.

Committee meetings through the 2015 – 2016 term provided the venue for information sharing in terms of common interests, challenges and priorities with particular emphasis on strong, issue-based content and discussion and collection of best practices in relation to the identified strategic priorities.

2015 – 2016 Highlights:

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- 1) Moving Forward Safer Futures Conference. The First CACP National Conference on working with the Indigenous Community
- 2) Focus on a National Best Practice for Protest Management
- 3) Presentations and Action towards working with the MMIW Inquiry. Having the CACP support the inquiry
- 4) Review of research conducted in Edmonton with the cities Indigenous population

Planned initiatives for 2015-2016

- Continued and ongoing engagement as it relates to MMIW
- Improved Recruiting and Hiring in the Indigenous Community
- Roll out best practices nationally on protest management
- Additional sustainable engagement

The Committee meeting schedule for 2016 – 2017

- November 2016– Toronto, Ontario
- March 2017–TBD
- August 2017 –Montreal, Quebec
- November 2017 – TBD

Strategic Priorities 2016 – 2017:

In keeping with the CACP mission and objectives, the PFMIP Committee will address key priorities in the year ahead with the objective of furthering the Committee's previously identified strategic priorities. These include:

1. Sustainability for policing with First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples:
 - examine and promote opportunities to address issues of long-term sustainability of effective and culturally-responsive policing for First Nations and Inuit communities, in keeping with Resolution 2013 – 04.
2. Measured and consistent approach to protest management:
 - examine and canvass police service best practices and pertinent legislation governing protest management across policing jurisdictions to support development of:
 - i) best practice resource;
 - ii) training opportunities;
 - iii) model policy / guideline for Canadian police services.
3. Violence against indigenous women and girls:
 - advocate for and contribute to work that would increase the safety and security of women and girls, including prevention of crime and victimization, examining and sharing best practices and procedures, continued support for sustainability of First Nations / Inuit policing.
 - seek to work collaboratively with other CACP Committees, including Victims of Crime and Crime Prevention Committees.

Committee Members:

Insp. Dan Jones, Co-Chair	Edmonton Police Service
C/Supt. Shirley Cuillierrier Co-Chair	RCMP National Aboriginal Policing Service
Supt. Darrell Beaton	RCMP Northeast Nova Scotia District
Supt. Jeff Bent	Saskatoon Police Service
Insp. Richard Bissonnette	Sûreté du Québec
Chief Lee Boyd	Blood Tribe Police Service
S/Sgt. Bob Christmas	Winnipeg Police Service
Chief Leanne Fitch	Fredericton Police Service
Insp. Mario Giardini	Vancouver Police Department
Supt. Richard Hinse	Calgary Police Service
Chief JP Levesque	Thunder Bay Police Service
Ray Levesque, Manager	Public Safety Canada Aboriginal Policing Directorate
Assistant Commissioner Norm Lipinski	RCMP E Division Headquarters
Chief Ivan McClelland	Canadian Pacific Police Service
Chief William Moffat	Naskapi Police Department
Deputy Chief Bob Morin	Regina Police Service
Richard Peach, Exec. Director	Saskatchewan Police Commission
David Snoddy, Director Community Development	Ottawa Police Service
Chief Jerry Swamp	Akwesasne Mohawk Police
Chief (Rtd) Dave Whitlow	Anishinabek Police Service
Supt. Curtis Zablocki	RCMP Battle River

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