

TO: CITY MANAGER

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FROM: OFFICER IN CHARGE
BURNABY DETACHMENT RCMP

FILE: BP 600

SUBJECT: IMPACT OF PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT'S CAP ON RCMP BUDGET

PURPOSE: To reply to Council's request for a report on the impact of Provincial Government's cap on the R.C.M.P. budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Council receive this report for information purposes.

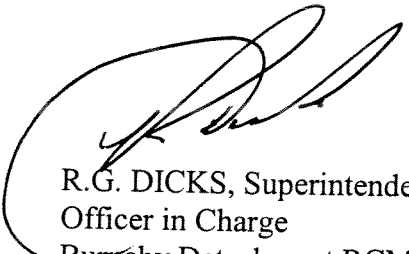
REPORT

The financial challenges presented by a "cap" on the provincial budget of the RCMP will not likely translate into any noticeable impact either operationally or financially at Burnaby Detachment for the fiscal year ending 2002 March 31. Division has assured that should the resources and expertise of provincially funded units be required at Burnaby they will be available. That is not to say there will be no attempt to recover overtime or other consumables, however, there is no such policy in effect at present.

The strategy on how to deal with competing demands and financial resources continues to be discussed. There has not been a decision or policy outlining how this may impact Division's ability to provide service from provincially funded units. However, one of the strategies which may be initiated in the fiscal year 2002 April 1 might include costing back to detachments the operating expenses associated to provincial units assisting local investigations. To provide a context for this potential new cost, a recent Burnaby Detachment investigation was examined. The Provincial Undercover Unit and the Unsolved Homicide Unit incurred cost totaling \$71,543.00. There is potential for these type of expenses to be costed back to the municipality at 90% and in any calendar year there are several such examples.

Division cannot be more definite or specific at this time. Division is, however, aware of the difficulties such a policy may have for Burnaby especially in light of the fact the Provincial and Municipal budgets are not synchronized.

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