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Inspector General of Policing Memorandum

TO: All Chiefs of Police and

Commissioner Thomas Carrique, C.O.M.

Chairs, Police Service Boards

FROM: Ryan Teschner, Inspector General of Policing of Ontario

DATE: September 25, 2025

SUBJECT: Inspector General Memo #7: Release of the Inspectorate of Policing's Risk

Based Compliance and Enforcement Framework

Public trust is the cornerstone of effective policing. A strong police oversight framework – grounded in transparency and accountability – is essential to maintaining that trust and ensuring Ontario's police services and police service boards operate with integrity and fairness.

The IoP's Risk-Based Compliance and Enforcement Framework is Now Public

I am pleased to share the Inspectorate of Policing's (IoP) **Risk-Based Compliance and Enforcement Framework**: a strategic operating approach that combines integrated, risk-based methods with incentives to support compliance and elevate the performance of Ontario's policing entities. As you will hear me say, this Framework is the IoP's 'operating philosophy'. The IoP will apply this Framework—and the authorities available to the Inspector General (IG) under the *Community Safety and Policing Act* (CSPA)—based on ongoing assessments of risks that could impact the quality and effectiveness of policing and police governance in Ontario. Risk levels will be determined by reviewing indicators of adequate and effective policing, including signs of police service or board non-compliance or misconduct by police service board members, along with factors that may either increase or reduce those risks.

This <u>publicly available Framework</u> is designed to implement the mandate of the Inspector General of Policing (IG) in a manner that strengthens oversight and fosters transparency, accountability, and public confidence in policing across the province.

Early concepts from the Framework were presented as part of the IoP's session at the CSPA Summit in February 2024. Following that, the IoP engaged with stakeholders, including the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police, the Ontario Association of Police Service Boards, and the Police Association of Ontario, to share the draft Framework and gather feedback to inform this final product. I appreciate this engagement and the contributions each of these organizations continue to make to our shared goals of making everyone in Ontario safer.

New Advisory Bulletin Concerning Board Meetings

I am also pleased to share with you the attached **IG Advisory Bulletin 2.1: Board and Committee Meetings**. This Bulletin summarizes requirements found in the CSPA for police service board meeting practices, and provides additional guidance and IG advice on how to remain compliant with those requirements by implementing certain approaches. Complying with the CSPA's board meeting requirements—while this may require adjustment to long-standing past practice—is an obligation all boards must embed into operations. I strongly encourage all police service boards to read and incorporate this IG advice and practice into regular board business and procedures, and ensure that your board is operating in compliance with all statutory meeting requirements. Please engage with you Police Services Advisor if you have any questions about implementation within your specific local context.

IoP Organizational Updates

I also would like to share some recent updates to the IoP team that will be relevant to you in receiving support from, and engaging with, our organization.

First, I am pleased to announce that **Morgan Terry** has taken on the newly created position of Assistant Director in the Investigations, Inspections and Liaison Branch. Demonstrating our commitment to ongoing communication and proactive engagement with the sector, Morgan will work alongside Deputy Inspector General, Joseph Maiorano, with a specific focus on the IoP's liaison, monitoring and advisory functions. In this role, Morgan will lead IoP strategy and team members to deliver advice and support to the policing sector to ensure compliance and promote continuous improvement in service delivery and governance. For clarity, Joe will continue to oversee our work on policing complaints, investigations and inspections.

Second, in support of your engagement of IoP Police Services Advisors on day-to-day issues and advice, please find attached an **updated Advisor Assignment List**. As always, you are encouraged to reach out to your Advisor should you have any questions regarding IoP communications or CSPA compliance.

We thank you for your continued dedication to excellence in police service and its governance.

Sincerely,

Ryan Teschner

Inspector General of Policing of Ontario

c: Mario Di Tommaso, O.O.M.

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