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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and
Commissioner Thomas Carrique
Chairs, Police Services Boards

FROM: Richard Stubbings
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SUBJECT: The Use of Force by Police Officers (sections 25 & 26 of
the *Criminal Code*) – A Practical Summary of the Law
and Governing Principles

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At the request of the Ministry of the Attorney General, I am sharing a communication containing a summary of the legal principles governing the use of force in the lawful exercise of police powers, and related matters of significance to criminal prosecutions.

For further information, please review the attached memo from Randy Schwartz, Assistant Deputy Attorney General, Criminal Law Division, Ministry of the Attorney General.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. Stubbings", written in a cursive style.

Richard Stubbings
Assistant Deputy Minister
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Attachment

c: Mario Di Tommaso, O.O.M.
Deputy Solicitor General, Community Safety