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Re: Your request for access to information under Part 2 of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;
   Our file number: 18 09 858

On September 26, 2018, the City Clerk’s Department received your request for access to the following records:

Please provide a machine-readable itemized database or spreadsheet (i.e. Microsoft Excel, Access, SQL or CSV file format, not PDF) of seized and surrendered (via amnesty programs or the like) firearms from 2000 to present day. The database should include fields for:

- make, model, and registration category ((a) restricted, (b) prohibited or (c) non-restricted) for the firearm;
- whether the firearm was seized or surrendered;
- date the firearm was seized or surrendered;
- location (postal code is sufficient) where the firearm was seized or surrendered;
- whether the gun was suspected to have been used in a criminal offence or criminal activity (i.e. a "crime gun");
- whether the gun was attempted to be traced, and if so, successfully or not;
- if the gun was successfully traced, whether it was traced to the United States;
- if the gun was successfully traced, whether it was traced to a domestic source;
- if the gun was successfully traced, whether it was traced to a licensed gun owner;
- if the gun was successfully traced, whether it was reported as lost (or stolen) to the RCMP;
- if the gun was successfully traced, the date and location of its registration with the RCMP;
- if a crime gun, the number and type of crimes the gun was connected to.

We consulted with the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) Research and Development Unit and the WPS Firearms Investigative Analysis Section. Producing the requested records would interfere unreasonably with WPS operations. Therefore, access must be refused in accordance with s. 10(1)(b) of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

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S. 10(1)(b) states:

Access to records in electronic form

10(1) If information requested is in an electronic form in the custody or under the control of a public body, the head of the public body shall produce a record for the applicant if

(b) producing it would not interfere unreasonably with the operations of the public body.

Subsection 59(1) of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act provides that you may make a complaint about this decision to the Manitoba Ombudsman. You have 60 days from the receipt of this letter to make a complaint on the prescribed form to: Manitoba Ombudsman, 750 – 500 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg Manitoba, R3C 3X1; Telephone (204) 982-9130 or 1-800-665-0531.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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