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Sean,

I understand that Cheryl McCoy spoke to you yesterday in relation to analysis of prejudice related data.

There is a history of this data base - it followed a six month pilot conducted in Newtown which resulted in 10 crimes which were allegedly attributed to prejudice ( 8 sexual and 2 racial). In hindsight, Newtown probably was not the smartest place to conduct the pilot because of the high homosexual population which skewed the results.

There has been a deal of pressure nationally for law enforcement agencies (and other agencies) to keep data in relation to prejudice related crime, especially racial prejudice. NSWPOL took the initiative to conduct the pilot (which really did not assist) and the Prejudice Related Data Base was launched in October, 1999. It is accessed by Police during the creation of a COPS Event through the Associated Factors conduit.

As the Corporate Sponsor, I also represent the Commissioner at the National Police Ethnic Advisory Bureau (NPEAB), and the next meeting of the NPEAB is in Melbourne on 17/18 November, 2000. The project is a rolling agenda item and I need the analysis to be completed by then to enable me to make an appropriate presentation. There is no doubt that there will be a flow on throughout the other States and they are looking to NSW to lead the way (again!!!!).

The national review on behalf of the NPEAB is being conducted by Liz DeRome, a private consultant, and she has been after our figures for some time. However, there is no way I would allow them into any arena until we have made an analysis and the Commissioner has had an opportunity of reviewing the results.

We have gone from 10 events in Newtown in six months to in excess of 1500 throughout the State. I have had a quick read on Victim and Officer comments, and as an off the cuff comment, it is clear we need to further train Police.

The reason I am rambling on is that I understand there was a proposal to wait until persons returned from the Olympics and form some sort of analytical team. Could I prevail upon you to commence the analysis earlier as it should be thoroughly discussed and presented to the Commissioner before I go to Melbourne.

I would request that David Evian-Thomas commence the analysis - he will do a good job and would probably complete it or break the back of it before he leaves the Service.

I spoke with Jim Baldwin late yesterday afternoon and he is aware of my thoughts.

Thanks,

Bruce Johnston

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