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Councillor Eli El-Chantiry  
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Chair, Ottawa Police Services Board  
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Dear Councillor El-Chantiry: *Eli*

It was a pleasure meeting with you and your delegation at the 2013 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference in Ottawa.

I share your concerns about the cancellation of the Joint Emergency Preparedness Program and the impacts it will have on your community. I will raise this issue with my federal colleagues, and will continue to call on the federal government to make sustainable funding available for emergency management.

I was pleased to attend your delegation to the Minister of Labour, the Honourable Yasir Naqvi, and hear your concerns related to the interest arbitration process, particularly as it relates to police and fire services. I am encouraged by the willingness of AMO and the fire and police associations to meet together with the Ministry of Labour to try to find mutually agreeable solutions. I look forward to hearing the results of those meetings.

Thank you again for meeting with us.

Sincerely,

Madeleine Meilleur  
Minister

c: The Honourable Yasir Naqvi  
Minister of Labour