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Dear Mr. DeMille

Thank you for your correspondence addressed to the Minister of Public Safety, dated July 21st, 2020 regarding the issuance of firearms licences.

Due to measures taken to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the Canadian Firearms Program (CFP) continues to experience impacts to some of their services, like many other service providers in Canada. The production of firearm licence cards are processed in Miramichi, N.B. and cannot be performed remotely which resulted in the reduction of service.

Throughout this period, clients were advised through various communication products, including the targeted mail out, that they could check the status of their firearms licence application through the CFP's online submission portal. Even though they may not be in possession of firearms licence card their licence may have been approved by the Chief Firearms Officer and they could obtain proof through this online submission portal.

The CFP continues to make efforts to improve the effectiveness of all of our services.

Regards,

Ms. Kellie Paquette Director General

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