

leaders in **community** safety

December 15, 2022

Mr. Stephen Leach Independent Police Review Director 655 Bay St., 10th Floor Toronto, ON M7A 2T4

Dear Director Leach:

RE:

"Knock and Announce" Rule (Dynamic Entries)

Thank you for your letter dated November 18, 2022 regarding recommendations to police services on departures from the Knock and Announce rule, and enclosing a synopsis of the relevant case law.

The Durham Regional Police Service is committed to service excellence and the professional delivery of law enforcement. To that end, I am pleased to report that the DRPS has committed to a full review of its relevant directives and policies to ensure that our procedures accord with the state of the law on dynamic or so called "no-knock" entries. Although our existing directives and procedures are robust, to the extent that any gaps are identified, the DRPS will make necessary updates to ensure we remain in compliance with the law.

Thank you for your assistance in bringing this important matter forward.

Yours,

**Todd Rollauer** Chief of Police

Ken Wetherill, Inspector General of Policing c.

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