Dear members of the Board,

I would like to ask you to consider decreasing the funding of the Ottawa Police. The Ottawa Police budget is currently the budget of transportation, libraries and public health combined, and that is not good. The latest Ottawa Police survey cannot be trusted if their methodology is unscientific. Traffic enforcement cannot be used as an excuse to increase its funding.

I am a new Canadian from South America who works in high-tech and who has been living in Ottawa for 23 years. I do not want 'better relations with visible minorities' to be used as an excuse for more funding. The recent events downtown show the patent bias of the Ottawa Police in their selectiveness of when and to whom they choose to apply the by-laws. Their inaction during the downtown events is reprehensible. Besides less funding, the Ottawa Police needs a major reform led by communities with substantial direction from visible minorities.

Thank you,

Gustavo Frederico