

Report to / Rapport au:

**OTTAWA POLICE SERVICES BOARD
LA COMMISSION DE SERVICES POLICIERS D'OTTAWA**

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**SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO OUTSTANDING INQUIRY #I-16-05: MEDIA
STATEMENTS**

**OBJET: RÉPONSE À LA DEMANDE DE RENSEIGNEMENTS NO I-16-05 :
DÉCLARATIONS AUX MÉDIAS**

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Ottawa Police Services Board receive this report for information.

RECOMMANDATIONS DU RAPPORT

**Que la Commission de services policiers d'Ottawa prenne connaissance du
présent rapport à titre d'information.**

BACKGROUND

At the Ottawa Police Services Board (Board) meeting on July 25, 2016, Member Smallwood inquired when and under what circumstances can our police service issue statements to the media that may not be accurate.

CONCLUSION

The Ottawa Police utilizes various investigative tools and techniques in support of its investigations. The facts in the release were accurate.

The release explained that the police were seeking public assistance and that a metal bar was located in the wooded area of Cedarview Road.

The Ottawa Police Service strives to issue statements to the media that are accurate and support the investigation.