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Greetings Mr. El-Chantiry,

As we approach the end of 2014, I want to take a moment on behalf of the CAPG Board of Directors to thank you for your generous support and commitment to the CAPG over the past year. It goes without saying that our organization could not do all that we do without your willingness to engage, participate and support us. We believe that a collaborative approach between our two organizations can effect positive results on the municipal, provincial and national levels.

The 2014 year was a fruitful one for our organization, with a number of successes and new developments that have seen the CAPG grow. Here are just a few of our accomplishments in 2014:

- Our <u>Annual Conference</u> in Halifax, NS was a great success, with a record number of attendees.
- We have expanded our <u>Board of Directors</u>, all of whom are eager to engage with our Membership in enhancing police governance and oversight.
- We developed our collaborative relationships with a number of organizations, including CACOLE, CKPN, and others.
- A number of the CAPG staff and directors attended the CACOLE Board of Directors meetings, where our Executive Director and Past-President are both directors.
- Our Executive Director attended the CPKN conference with a theme of "The Road Ahead: Defining
 a Collaborative Learning Future". CKPN expressed a desire to have CAPG involved at a more
 significant level.
- We continue to foster a positive, collaborative relationship Public Safety Canada.
- We are active participants in Public Safety Canada's Shared Forward Agenda Steering Committee, the Coalition on Sustainable Policing, Carleton University's Research Advisory Board, to name but a few.
- We partnered with Queens University to explore First Nations policing and what can be done to aid communities in need of support. We have developed a <u>First nations Police Governance</u> section on our website and will continue to develop this area as a beneficial resource.

We hope to accomplish even more in 2015. The Annual Conference, taking place in the York Region, will see a number of high-profile speakers that are sure to energize our attendees and provide them with the tools they need to create positive change. We will continue to work with Public Safety Canada and the Shared Forward Agenda and engage our membership in continuing research. We hope to develop our collaborative relationships in this year with a variety of organizations across Canada and North America. We are also excited to be launching a pilot project this January which will offer educational webinar sessions on a variety of topics. Members will receive 50% off all webinars as well as priority registration. We are also developing a searchable library of a number of key research papers, reports and presentations on our website that will be responsive to keyword searches.





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We hope that you will support us in our endeavors through the 2015 year and beyond. The CAPG exists to serve its members and collaborate with other police services sector stakeholders across the nation. The CAPG's strategy for future growth and development includes enhancing services to our members. I encourage you to explore our exciting new services that we will be providing to our members in the 2015 year. Visit our website for more information on Member Benefits. Membership renewals are now being processed online, and you will have the option to pay online as well. Please consider renewing your CAPG Membership for the 2015 year by visiting our Membership Registration page.

Again, on behalf of the CAPG Board of Directors, we thank you for your support and engagement.

Cathryn Palmer, President

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