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Mr. Dennis R. Young  
1330 Ravenswood Drive SE  
Airdrie, Alberta  
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Dear Mr. Young:

This is in reply to your request under the *Access to Information Act* (Act), which was received in this institution on September 15, 2014. Specifically, you requested the following:

***"Reference is being made to Commission's investigation of the forced entries and unwarranted searches of thousands of homes in High River, Alberta between June 20, 2013 and July 13, 2013 and the seizure, without warrants, of hundreds of firearms, ammunition, magazines, other weapons, stolen goods, drugs, etc.***

***Please provide copies of all draft reports prepared by the Commission and all copies of the responses to these draft reports received by the Commission from the RCMP."***

At the time of your request, no draft report had been shared with the RCMP and no responses had been received by the Commission from the RCMP. Therefore, to the extent you have requested "all copies of the responses to these draft reports received by the Commission from the RCMP", these do not exist.

With regard to the first part of your request, "copies of all draft reports prepared by the Commission", access to any such records is denied as they are exempt in their entirety pursuant to paragraphs 16(1)(c) and 21(1)(a) of the Act.

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Please note that the Commission expects to finalize its interim report shortly. It will then be released to the public at the same time as it is forwarded to the RCMP. Upon receipt of the report, the RCMP Commissioner is then required to notify the Commission in writing of any action that has been or will be taken by the RCMP in response to the interim report or to provide reasons why he has decided not to act on the findings and recommendations set out in the report. Subsequently, the Commission will prepare a final report, which will include the RCMP Commissioner's response, and this report will also be posted to the Commission's website.

Your \$5.00 application fee is therefore being returned.

Please be advised that you are entitled to bring a complaint to the Information Commissioner if you are not satisfied with our response to your request. Notices of complaint must be submitted within 60 days of receipt of this letter and should be addressed to:

Office of the Information Commissioner  
30 Victoria Street  
Gatineau, Québec  
K1A 1H3

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Rochelle Boudreau at 613-946-5216 or by e-mail at [Rochelle.Boudreau@cpc-cpp.gc.ca](mailto:Rochelle.Boudreau@cpc-cpp.gc.ca).

Yours sincerely,



Helen Banulescu  
Executive Director

Attachment: \$5.00 application fee being returned; applicable sections of the Act.



## Access to Information Act

<p><u>Law enforcement and investigations</u></p>	<p>16. (1) The head of a government institution may refuse to disclose any record requested under this Act that contains</p> <p>(a) information obtained or prepared by any government institution, or part of any government institution, that is an investigative body specified in the regulations in the course of lawful investigations pertaining to</p> <p>(i) the detection, prevention or suppression of crime,</p> <p>(ii) the enforcement of any law of Canada or a province, or</p> <p>(iii) activities suspected of constituting threats to the security of Canada within the meaning of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service Act, if the record came into existence less than twenty years prior to the request;</p> <p>(b) information relating to investigative techniques or plans for specific lawful investigations;</p> <p>(c) information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to be injurious to the enforcement of any law of Canada or a province or the conduct of lawful investigations, including, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, any such information</p> <p>(i) relating to the existence or nature of a particular investigation,</p> <p>(ii) that would reveal the identity of a confidential source of information, or</p> <p>(iii) that was obtained or prepared in the course of an investigation; or</p> <p>(d) information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to be injurious to the security of penal institutions.</p>
<p><u>Advice, etc.</u></p>	<p>21. (1) The head of a government institution may refuse to disclose any record requested under this Act that contains</p> <p>(a) advice or recommendations developed by or for a government institution or a minister of the Crown,</p> <p>(b) an account of consultations or deliberations involving officers or employees of a government institution, a minister of the Crown or the staff of a minister of the Crown,</p> <p>(c) positions or plans developed for the purpose of negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the Government of Canada and considerations relating thereto, or</p> <p>(d) plans relating to the management of personnel or the administration of a government institution that have not yet been put into operation, if the record came into existence less than twenty years prior to the request.</p>
<p>Exercise of a discretionary power or an adjudicative function</p>	<p>(2) Subsection (1) does not apply in respect of a record that contains</p> <p>(a) an account of, or a statement of reasons for, a decision that is made in the exercise of a discretionary power or an adjudicative function and that affects the rights of a person; or</p> <p>(b) a report prepared by a consultant or an adviser who was not, at the time the report was prepared, an officer or employee of a government institution or a member of the staff of a minister of the Crown.</p> <p>1980-81-82-83, c. 111, Sch. I "21".</p>