

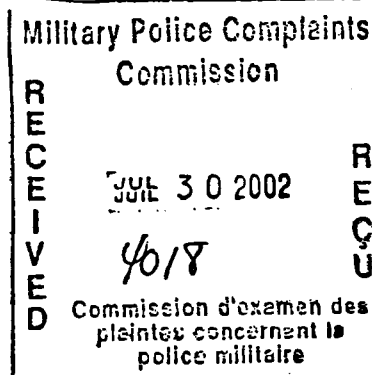
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Madame Louise Cobetto  
Chairperson, Military Police Complaints Commission  
270 Albert Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Dear Madame Cobetto

Thank you for the copy of your Interim Report following the Commission's Public Interest Investigation pursuant to Subsection 250.38(1) of the *National Defence Act* with respect to the Complaints of Lieutenant-Colonel Tony Battista and Major Gordon Wight.

I have considered your request to review the Interim Report. Under section 250.49 of the *National Defence Act*, the Provost Marshal has a statutory duty to review the complaint in light of the findings and recommendations set out in the report, unless the Provost Marshal is the subject of the complaint. It is my assessment that the Provost Marshal is not the subject of the complaint, and as confirmed by your Interim Report, had no involvement in the conduct of the related investigations. Therefore, I have passed this matter to Provost Marshal for her review in accordance with the *Act*. If it appears that there are issues remaining to be resolved on the completion of this review, I will of course provide any comments that I may have at that time.

Your assistance in bringing a positive resolution to this matter is appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

  
for R.R. Henault  
General

c.c. Minister of National Defence  
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