

Our File Number: 22-0110

June 28th, 2022

Dear

RE: Convoy / GoFundMe

I am responding to your request for access to information pursuant to the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for:

Provide copies of all documents, including memos, briefing notes, e-mails, tests or Instant messages, slack messages, WhatsApp messages, etc., regarding the GoFundMe support for the trucker protests/convoy (such as the "Freedom Convoy" and "Convoi de la liberte") in Ottawa and other cities, and GoFundMe's announcements about that funding, since January 1, 2022

Please be advised that in cooperation with OPS Legal Services Directorate, a decision has been made to deny the information requested. Access is denied pursuant to sections 8(1), 9(1), 15(b), and 52(2.1) of the Act. These sections apply because:

- 8.1 A head may refuse to disclose a record if the disclosure could reasonably be expected to,
- (b) Interfere with an investigation undertaken with a view to a law enforcement proceeding or from which a law enforcement proceeding is likely to result;
- (c) reveal investigative techniques and procedures currently in use or likely to be used in law enforcement;
- (d) disclose the identity of a confidential source of information in respect of a law enforcement matter, or disclose information furnished only by the confidential source;
- (e) endanger the life or physical safety of a law enforcement officer or any other person
- (I) facilitate the commission of an unlawful act or hamper the control of crime.
- **9.1** A head shall refuse to disclose a record if the disclosure could reasonably be expected to reveal information the institution has received in confidence from,
- (a) the Government of Canada;
- (b) the Government of Ontario or the government of a province or territory in Canada;

- (c) the government of a foreign country or state;
- (d) an agency or government referred to in clause (a), (b), or (c);
- 15 A head may refuse to disclose a record if,
- (b) the head believes on reasonable grounds that the record or the information contained in the record will be published by an institution within 90 days after the request is made or within such further period of time as may be necessary for printing or translating the material for the purpose of printing it.
- **52(2.1)** This Act does not apply to a record relating to a prosecution if all proceedings in respect of the prosecution have not been completed.

If you have any questions you may contact the Freedom of Information Section at foianalyst@ottawapolice.ca .

You may request a review of the decision by the Information and Privacy Commissioner, 2 Bloor Street East, Suite 1400, Toronto, Ontario, M4W 1A8. You have 30 days to make this appeal.

In the event that you wish to launch an appeal, please provide the Commissioner's office with the following:

- 1) our file number;
- 2) a copy of this decision letter; and
- 3) a copy of the original request for information which you sent to this institution.

In addition, you must send an appeal fee to the Commissioner's office. If your request was for your personal information, the appeal fee is \$10.00. The appeal fee for all other requests for information is \$25.00. Please include the fee in your letter of appeal. Appeal fees should be in the form of either a cheque or money order, payable to the Minister of Finance.

Thank you,
Ottawa Police Service
Freedom of Information Analysts