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Dear Mr. De Hetre:

I do understand your frustration with this issue. I agree that laws must be enforced, however, it is beyond my jurisdiction and the Premier's to instruct the O.P.P.. Simply put, we cannot give direction to the O.P.P.. The Solicitor General can discuss policing matters with the O.P.P. Commissioner but he cannot give direction. The deployment of the officers and the enforcement of the law rests solely with the O.P.P. Look at what happened at Queen's Park a month ago. The media and the opposition are insinuating that the Premier call in the O.P.P., and for that we have to have an inquiry into the incident.

Hopefully, we can bring harmony and normalcy back into the area through our legal and policing systems.

Thank you for writing and sharing your concerns with me. I do appreciate receiving your input.

Sincerely,

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