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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and
Commissioner J.V.N. (Vince) Hawkes
Chairs, Police Services Boards

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SUBJECT: **New Crown Prosecution Manual and Police Training on
Police Powers of Release**

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At the request of the Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG), I am sharing a communication regarding a recent update to the Crown Prosecution Manual, which is a fundamental guide to key areas of Crown practice and discretion. As highlighted in the attached memorandum, the Manual reviews two areas of particular significance: Police and Judicial Interim Release (Bail). This Manual should be shared throughout your service and reviewed.

Additionally, MAG Criminal Law Division will be offering police training on powers of release. I encourage you to participate in this training, and suggest that you reach out to your local Crown office to schedule this at your earliest convenience.

For further details, please see the attached memo from Susan Kyle, Assistant Deputy Attorney General, Criminal Law Division.

Sincerely,

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Attachment