

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

August 3, 2022

Disclosure for the Special Joint Committee on the Declaration of Emergency (DEDC)

Round 2

Inclusion:

- 1. Materials responding to the Committee's May 31, 2022, motion for the production of documents related to the government's invocation of the Emergencies Act:
 - Assessments used to brief ministers and senior officials (January 23, 2022 February 14, 2022) These were prepared for the Commissioner of the RCMP and provided a status update on protest activity nationwide.

- The RCMP will respond accordingly if/when the Emergencies Act is invoked.
- The focus in the first instance will be mobilizing <u>all available</u> RCMP Federal Policing Resources from across the country.
- The resources will be directed towards addressing the situation in Windsor and Ottawa. RCMP resources are already on the ground in both of these areas, but we will expedite increasing this <u>support starting tomorrow</u>.
- In terms of Ottawa, we now have the benefit of an integrated planning cell which was created two days ago, which includes the RCMP, OPP and OPS. This has a fulsome mass plan to bring the protest in Ottawa to a conclusion.
- The approach today and through the weekend in Ottawa will be to contain with some very strategic targeted enforcement. This is due to the potential increase in numbers over the weekend, but also to allow focus on the bridge blockade in Windsor, which is in a higher priority to due concerns about violence and the economic and reputational impacts.
- As of 3:15, there were 250 people and approximately 100 vehicles.
- Windsor: There is currently and and 3 public order units from RCMP, OPP and Waterloo prepared with a plan to remove the protestors tomorrow before any other counter protest can pop up (Auto workers).
- OPP has taken over critical incident command of the Windsor site and the RCMP has diverted resources from Ottawa to assist in enforcement <u>beginning tomorrow</u>.

Considerations

- It will be necessary to continue to work with and leverage the police of jurisdiction and the provincial police.
- If we have to beyond Federal resources, into contract divisions there are some contractual limitations specifically agreement of the RCMP can access up to 10 percent of these resources. Of course, some divisions are already

stretched, particularly BC, AB and MB given their other contractual responsibilities and managing similar protest activities in a number of locations.

- Will also need time move equipment and tools
- Have to leverage RCMP intelligence assets from across the country, work with our GOC intel partners, as well as the combined intelligence group that has been set up for the Ottawa protest.
- My team and I will be guided in our enforcement actions by ensuring public and officer safety.
- And, as my Minister has noted, the policing community has been reactive Our focus in the very short term will be on proactive.

Truckers Convoy and Protective Services

Key Messages – February 10, 2022 12:00 PM

- Good afternoon.
- The situation in Ottawa is generally unchanged we are seeing lower numbers of people than during the weekend, there are still around 500 trucks parked downtown, and Ottawa Police are continuing with enforcement.
- The Integrated Planning Cell started meeting Tuesday afternoon to assess the Ottawa Police plan, and identify required resources for its implementation. I'll be blunt – I have concerns.
- Strategic Tactical planners from the RCMP, OPP, Ottawa Police and other police services in the province were identified to be part of the Planning Cell. Their job is to review, challenge and provide feddback to the plan. When they showed up yesterday morning, there was no OPS plan to review.

But our assessment is that the information provided by Ottawa Police thus far does not constitute a viable plan. And his request for resources has been a moving target.

• However, on a more positive note, as of this morning I understand that we now have the right people from Ottawa Police engaged with the Integrated Planning Cell. I am hopeful more fruitful discussions will take place today.

- Our planners want to move away from quick wins through a seize and contain strategy to a more fulsome mass plan that will take us to a conclusion. The bottom line is that we will do everything we can to support police outside of our jurisdiction where we can.
- That being said, to plan appropriately, there are unlikely to be any significant actions taken for a few days. This is based on a sound operational basis and our goal with any plan is to maximise public and police safety.
- Although our attention has been focused on downtown Ottawa, we are facing challenges across the country.
- In Ottawa this morning, vehicles performed a Slow Roll Convoy aimed at circling the departures and arrival lane sat the Ottawa International Airport. This is now over. RESOLVED
- We are seeing increased action at several POEs. While I will let CBSA speak to the specific elements, there are either significant traffic delays or full-on blockades at Coutts (Alberta), Emerson (Manitoba), Windsor and Sarnia (Ontario).
- The RCMP is the police of jurisdiction for Coutts and Emerson. As you know, we have been engaged on Coutts for quite some time and efforts are still underway today to move the protestors to the plot of land west of Milk River, that was approved by the province as a temporary lawful protest site. No protestors have moved to this site. I am sure it is no surprise that while progress is being made, it is slow and not without challenges. Cattleman's Association negotiated passage for 11 cattle trucks to pass.
- For Emerson, we are redirecting traffic where possible. Apparently Thursday is a major crossing day for livestock, and we have negotiated for those trucks carrying livestock to be let through.

- Also in Manitoba, the demonstration at the Winnipeg legislature is ongoing, but is being well-managed by the Winnipeg Police Service.
- There is open source reporting of plans to block CN railways, as well as multiple solidarity protests across the country heading into the weekend. We already have at least 24 protests planned at locations across BC between now and the end of the weekend, with more on the radar for late February and early March.
- There are another 5 currently planned in Nova Scotia and 5 in Manitoba. This is just what we know of now, but I expect there will be more.
- Managing these protests is a huge draw on the RCMP's Contract Policing resources especially with Article 9 having been invoked in Alberta.
- Therefore, RCMP resources to support Ottawa Police and efforts in Windsor need to come from Federal Policing. Thus far, we have deployed the resources we can. Deploying more will have a huge impact on operations, including a number of national security investigations. We have increased our frontline resources to 250 for direct support to OPS, however we have moved one of our Public Order Units to Windsor as a result of an ask by OPP.



• Thank you.

Truckers Convoy and Protective Services

Key Messages - February 11, 2022 1:30 PM

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Windsor

- In terms of Windsor, following yesterday's Ontario Superior Court to remove protesters blocking traffic to the Ambassador Bridge, Windsor police provided notice to demonstrators.
- Protestors were advised that anyone involved in blocking streets must immediately cease unlawful activity or face charges, and that vehicles or other property related to the offence may be seized.
- Police operations began earlier this morning to secure the Ambassador Bridge and by 9 AM some vehicles were starting to leave voluntarily. Progress is being made in clearing protestors out and securing the area.
- The latest update I have is that protestors have been pushed approximately 7 blocks from the bridge. Operation is still ongoing.

There are currently 500 protestors with the line being maintained by the Public Order Unit. No injuries or arrests.

 Windsor police is being supporting by RCMP Public Order Units (66 members), London Police Services and the OPP



Cornwall

- Briefly on Cornwall:
- About 70 to 75 demonstrators are on site, and 20 to 25 vehicles tractors, large farm equipment and pick ups. They are not on the bridge, and Cornwall Police are on site securing the bridge.
- Akwesasne Mohawk Police and the OPP are also present. No request has been made to the RCMP at this time.

Ottawa

- I just spoke with the Ottawa Chief and OPP Commissioner prior to this call.
- Couple of things to note:
 - The mood on the ground has changed more hostile and defiant, specifically toward police.
 - There are about 350 protestors on the Hill and 400 on Wellington Street in the downtown core.

 Indications that a number of convoys are travelling to Ottawa today, including 11 from Quebec.

We also understand there are about 250 vehicles that have left the Montreal protest making their way to Ottawa.

- I know everyone wants to hear that the OPS has a plan and are going to take action.
- Concerted work is underway with all partners to finalize that plan. My team and I are working closely with OPP and OPS and I hope to be in a position to provide more details as early as tomorrow.
- While Ottawa Police continues to receive support from the OPP and other municipal police services, I do not have the details on the number of people that they have deployed.
- What I can say is that the RCMP continues to have approximately 345 members deployed daily in support of our protective mandate.
- In addition, today we have deployed 210 uniform members in support of the Ottawa Police Service – 3 shifts of 70 members each. In fact, we have 78 on the ground right now. Our members are deployed to static posts/traffic duties, and are on standby if needed for Quick Response Teams.
- This is complemented by the Command structure, logistics, Comms, and admin support (included in the MOU), which exceed the 250 agreement.
- I want to reiterate that every ask that has been made to us by the OPS has been fulfilled. In fact, our numbers are higher than what we originally committed.

- Our numbers will evolve and the RCMP will support the OPS and OPP as the plan is finalized.
- For right now, between the resources provided by the RCMP and the OPP, we have met – and actually exceeded – the commitment made to the Ottawa Police Service's "Maintenance" posture.

Moving from Ontario.

- I can tell you that gradual progress is being made in Coutts. We have gone from a high of approximately 250 trucks to about 40 at present.
- The situation continues to evolve, but my team on the ground has tactical and operational plans in place. Focus is on assessing risks and opportunities from the perspective of public and officer safety.
- The Commanding Officer continues to engage with the Premier and other Government officials.
- The RCMP has requested that the CBSA temporarily suspend border clearance services at the Coutts POE to control vehicle access to the protest site and to ensure public and officer safety.
- This temporary measure will remain in effect until public and commercial traffic is allowed to flow through the POE.
- This measure went into effect today at 1:00 PM MT.
- Premier Kenney has indicated he will be reaching into Federal Ministers today.

In terms of Emerson

- As of this morning, the POE at Emerson remains blocked. A few of the vehicles and campers were removed last night during a storm.
- Approximately 35 vehicles and 20 individuals remain on site, with people coming and going.
- The focus of efforts today is having the group open up at least on lane of traffic for cross border travel.
- Approximately 16 members are dedicated to this event at this time, with more available if needed.
- All other Ports of Entry in Manitoba remain open and there is no protest activity or disruption.
- There have been no requests from the Province of Manitoba, nor any indication that they will be seeking to invoke Article 9.

Other POEs

 In addition to these areas, there are reports of protestors near the Marine Atlantic facility in North Sydney, Nova Scotia. There are a couple of pickup trucks and approximately 12 vehicles blocking regular access to ticket booths. There are no impacts on operations at this time; however, there could be impacts on traffic trying to reach the site later in the day.





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Key Messages – February 12, 2022

- Good afternoon.
- It has been a busy day and situations are evolving hour over hour. And twitter and media in general are covering events faster than I or policing partners can process for <u>briefing purposes</u> and provide before it hits the media.
- Before I get into the details, I'll flag that we have taken steps internally to bolster our processes and ensure we are aligned across divisions with a focus on preventing/deterring any new events and that information continues to flow up to Ministers.
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- There are about 350 protestors on the Hill and 400 on Wellington Street in the downtown core.
- The barricades at the War Memorial have been removed by protestors and we are now seeing an increase in protest activity at the site – approximately 200 have congregated.
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Truckers Convoy and Protective Services

Key Messages – February 13, 2022

- Good afternoon.
- As you are all likely aware, the slow rolls and protests continue cross the country.
- Over the last 10 days, we have had considerable progress in effectively managing the protests and preventing blockages across the country.
- For example, yesterday, there was a slow roll protest on PEI. Operational plans were executed by Charlottetown Police and the RCMP, which prevented a possible blockade of the Confederation Bridge. The protest, which eventually rolled into Summerside was peaceful, managed by the police of jurisdiction and the RCMP.
- Other examples include the successful management of protests in Kelowna and Osoyoos in BC yesterday as well as at the Regway Crossing in Saskatchewan, where border traffic was slowed but not prevented. Protesters cooperated with the RCMP and no incidents occurred.
- Of course there are other situations where the RCMP and policing partners have not been able to resolve. You are all well aware of this.
- Where the RCMP is not the police of jurisdiction, we are doing everything we
 can to support our policing partners. Where we are the police of jurisdiction
 we are executing plans and taking the necessary steps to remove the
 blockades.
- Of course, this is not happening as fast as anyone would like, but our actions are guided by the need to ensure officer and public safety.

- I know the integrated plan for Ottawa is of keen interest to this committee and I will get to that, but I will first provide an update on a few key locations including Windsor, Emerson and Coutts and the situation in BC.
- Then I'll circle back to Ottawa.
- All the information I'm sharing below is current as of 3pm this afternoon.

Windsor

- Enforcement has started and there have been 14 arrests and 6 vehicles towed. All charges were for Mischief. Arrests are to continue today.
- Plans are being finalized to re-open the bridge this evening.
- In addition to the resources the RCMP has already deployed to support Windsor Police and the OPP, we will provide an additional 50 resources to help protect critical infrastructure and ultimately to ensure that the ground that the progress made over the last 48 hours has gained is not lost again to protestors.
- We have about 10km of roadway to keep with WPS and OPP. We will do security at barricades, roving patrols, and a QRT function. Controlling the area will keep Huron Church open all the way to the 401. They would like us there for 5 days. We will see.

In terms of Emerson

- Lanes to the POE are closed to all commercial traffic except for live animals. Emergency vehicles and CBSA employees can make it through.
- The protest group has been informed of potential charges under the Criminal Code and provincial legislation.
- Police met with protestors this afternoon and the main group is again meeting tomorrow to make a decision on whether to stay or leave.

- In the event the discussions and threat of charges not motivate the protests to leave, we have an enforcement plan that we are ready to execute.
- Enforcement to likely occur tomorrow based on tactical planning and discussions with the provincial government.
- There is currently a blizzard in the area so very little traffic.

As for the situation in Coutts

- Highway 4 remains completely blocked at the POE.
- We have made significant progress in decreasing the trucks and protestors, but we know the POE must be open. To this end, we have an enforcement plan ready for execution.
- To be clear, we are on the cusp of enforcement in Coutts.

In terms of British Columbia

- Yesterday, "Freedom Convoy Protests" occurred in multiple locations across the province - primarily in Victoria, Vancouver, Kelowna, Fort St. John and the Osoyoos and Surrey border crossings.
- At the 176th St. Border Crossing there are around 30 protestors. They are adamant that they will not leave. Protestors stated that they are in charge not the police and plan to extend their protest to all POE's and the Port of Vancouver.
- This afternoon, the RCMP's Tactical Support Group is deployed to lead efforts to clear the area. Individuals arrested for obstruction and mischief will be processed and released on strict "no go" conditions as long as there are no assaultive behaviors.

Moving back to Ottawa

 As of this morning the intersection of Sussex and Rideau has been fortified with tractor trucks parked tightly together. The mood at this intersection was described as defiant.

- We are also monitoring a number of convoys that are expected to arrive in Ottawa today. There are about 100 protestors on Parliament Hill, and approximately 1000 on Wellington Street and in the downtown core. There are an estimated 505 trucks as well.
- In terms of our current deployment numbers in support of the OPS, the RCMP has 225 members, with the
- With respect to Public Order Units, there is 33 members deployed.
- The RCMP also continue to have approximately 345 members deployed daily in support of our protective mandate.
- Also note, there was correspondence between the Ottawa Mayor and the Freedom Convoy indicating that organizers have agreed to the Mayor's request and condition for them to exit residential neighbourhoods in the coming days.
- This progress would provide impacted residents with a much needed break and improve safety and security of residents.

The Plan

- About the much talked about plan, I'll provide some highlights.
- RCMP and OPP assembled the foremost experts (POU, Incident Commanders and Planners) from across Canada to develop a strategic plan, including an RCMP forensic physiologist, who specializes in crowd dynamic, and possesses the necessary academic and operational credentials to provide expert evidence related to justifying the use of force.
- Their recommendations are consistent with the important lessons learned from the Ipperwash Inquiry and The Morden Report into the G20.

- This group of experts has determined that there are crowd engagement and negotiation strategies that must be relied upon before the application of force would be justified.
- First, the plan was developed in partnership between the OPP, RCMP, OPS, and PPS, among others (e.g., York, Peel and TPS), with ultimate responsibility resting with Chief Sloly as the jurisdictional lead plus
- It has the support of both myself and Commissioner Carrique and Chief Sloly of course.
- It provides for a <u>phased approach</u>, with the first goal being a reduction of protest footprint, including vehicles, trucks, and pedestrians.
- I would note that some of the activities that my colleagues are going to highlight are things that we would have been expected days ago, but these are foundational steps that need to be done to ensure public safety and a successful resolution.
- There will be a daily assessment of how things were executed on the ground, and whether we are achieving the needed results, before readjusting for the next day building up to a final takedown.
- It is a phased approach, with the first goal being a reduction of protest footprint, including vehicles, trucks, and pedestrians.
- The largest component of it, is on the ground messaging by regular uniformed officers (as in no tactical attire), aimed at changing the crowd's mentality and getting them to leave voluntarily. Note that this is what was used in Alberta, to get them from 200 trucks down to 40.
- In addition to the key communication tactics, the daily goals will include things like, determining the specific trucks with children, determining which trucks may be chained together, and setting goals of daily percentage decreases in protestors and vehicles.

- At some point, depending on the progress made on the daily goals, a decision will be made to initiate kinetic actions using Public Order Units supported by Emergency Response teams, or more commonly known as SWAT.
- If the teams are getting more pushback than success, the kinetic action will be needed sooner. If protesters are listening, leaving peacefully, with significantly assessed progression, we will allow each day's results to show for it, before taking a final kinetic action.
- We also need to be consistent with public messaging at all levels to instill confidence and mitigate flare ups elsewhere as things get taken down in Ottawa.
- I will leave it there and turn to Sgt Darwin Tetreaulth who can provide more details and timelines.

Additional Supports





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Windsor

- In In terms of Windsor, the situation in Windsor is largely unchanged. Crowds have moved back, and greatly reduced in numbers, but there is still no movement.
- There were some developments overnight, an anonymous bomb threat needed to be investigated by the K9 unit. After a thorough investigation, the threat was deemed unfounded. Major Crimes followed up with the complainant and identifying the caller, who denied making the threat.
- Windsor police is being supporting by RCMP Public Order Units (66 members), London Police Services and the OPP members).

Ottawa

- This morning in Ottawa, we were advised that the intersection of Sussex and Rideau has been fortified with tractor trucks parked tightly together. The mood of people at this intersection was described as defiant.
- We are monitoring several convoys that are expected to arrive in Ottawa today.
- As of 6AM this morning, there are no protestors on Parliament Hill, and minimal foot traffic on Wellington Street and surrounding streets.
- Now I will get into the plan. The plan was developed in partnership between the RCMP, OPS, OPP, and PPS. The ultimate responsibility for approving the plan is Chief Sloly.
- The plan is a phased approach, with the first goal being a reduction of protest footprint, including vehicles, trucks, and pedestrians.
- To attain that objective, the approach is a tried and tested crowd reduction technique
- This plan includes significant cooperation, is scalable, measurable, with goals that are achievable. (SMART goals) It is a fluid plan that is to be monitored daily, and adjusted according to its successes or failures.
- The plan is multifaceted. The largest component of it, is on the ground messaging by regular uniformed officers (as in no tactical attire), aimed at changing the crowd's mentality and getting them to leave voluntarily. Note that this is what was used in Alberta, to get them from 200 trucks to 40.
- In addition to the key communication tactics, the daily goals will include things like, determining the specific trucks with children, determining which trucks may be chained together, and setting goals of daily percentage decreases in protestors.

- As each day progresses the tone and messaging will get progressively more serious. Stronger warnings of fines, arrests, and detention will be made.
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- If the teams are getting more pushback than success, the kinetic action will be needed sooner. If protesters are listening, leaving peacefully, with significantly assessed progression, we will allow each day's results to show for it, before taking that action.
- I will make it clear, there will, eventually be an ugly resolve to this. It is about minimizing the impact to public safety and taking our kinetic action when it is optimal and required.
- A key component to this plan is ensuring that all public interactions speak the same lines as the officers on the ground.

It is very important that the Municipal, Provincial, and Federal governments also get the same messaging across to Canadians. This part of the plan is not specific to Ottawa, the communications strategy is to be used across all levels of policing throughout the country, so that the messaging is clear and consistent.

• This is how the plan also mitigates the risk of retaliation and outbreaks in different areas.

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Truckers Convoy and Protective Services

Key Messages - February 11, 2022 1:30 PM

- Good afternoon.
- It has been a busy day and situations are evolving hour over hour. And twitter and media in general are covering events faster than I or policing partners can process and provide before it hits the media. Some of what I am about to report may already be dated.
- I'll start in Ontario and then move onto Alberta and then Manitoba.

Windsor

- In In terms of Windsor, the situation in Windsor is largely unchanged. Crowds have moved back, and greatly reduced in numbers, but there is still no movement.
- There were some developments overnight, an anonymous bomb threat needed to be investigated by the K9 unit. After a thorough investigation, the threat was deemed unfounded. Major Crimes followed up with the complainant and identifying the caller, who denied making the threat.
- Windsor police is being supporting by RCMP Public Order Units (66 members), London Police Services and the OPP members).

Ottawa

- This morning in Ottawa, we were advised that the intersection of Sussex and Rideau has been fortified with tractor trucks parked tightly together. The mood of people at this intersection was described as defiant.
- We are monitoring several convoys that are expected to arrive in Ottawa today.
- As of 6AM this morning, there are no protestors on Parliament Hill, and minimal foot traffic on Wellington Street and surrounding streets.
- Now I will get into the plan. The plan was developed in partnership between the RCMP, OPS, OPP, and PPS. The ultimate responsibility for approving the plan is Chief Sloly.
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- To attain that objective, the approach is a tried and tested crowd reduction technique,
- This plan includes significant cooperation, is scalable, measurable, with goals that are achievable. (SMART goals) It is a fluid plan that is to be monitored daily, and adjusted according to its successes or failures.
- The plan is multifaceted. The largest component of it, is on the ground messaging by regular uniformed officers (as in no tactical attire), aimed at changing the crowd's mentality and getting them to leave voluntarily. Note that this is what was used in Alberta, to get them from 200 trucks to 40.
- In addition to the key communication tactics, the daily goals will include things like, determining the specific trucks with children, determining which trucks may be chained together, and setting goals of daily percentage decreases in protestors.

- As each day progresses the tone and messaging will get progressively more serious. Stronger warnings of fines, arrests, and detention will be made.
- At some point, depending on the progress made on the daily goals, a decision will be made to initiate kinetic actions using our Emergency Response teams, or more commonly known as SWAT.
- If the teams are getting more pushback than success, the kinetic action will be needed sooner. If protesters are listening, leaving peacefully, with significantly assessed progression, we will allow each day's results to show for it, before taking that action.
- I will make it clear, there will, eventually be an ugly resolve to this. It is about minimizing the impact to public safety and taking our kinetic action when it is optimal and required.
- A key component to this plan is ensuring that all public interactions speak the same lines as the officers on the ground.

It is very important that the Municipal, Provincial, and Federal governments also get the same messaging across to Canadians. This part of the plan is not specific to Ottawa, the communications strategy is to be used across all levels of policing throughout the country, so that the messaging is clear and consistent.

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