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Mr. Dennis R. Young c/o Garry Breitkreuz, M.P. Room 452D, Centre Block House of Commons Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Young:

This letter is further to your request of December 6, 2001, filed under the *Access to Information Act* to obtain:

Records and reports documenting: (1) How many firearms licenses have been issued to the same person; 2) How many registration certificates have been issued for the same firearm owned by the same person; and 3) The corrective action taken to correct the issuing of duplicate licenses and registrations.

am pleased to outline the information relevant to your request as follows:

1) There are 832 valid license holders currently in possession of more than one valid firearms license. As shown in the chart below, the majority of licence holders have multiple FACs [Firearms Acquisition Certificates] or both a PAL (Possession and Acquisition License) and a POL (Possession-only License) in their names:

| 2         |   | PALS | 14      |
|-----------|---|------|---------|
| 2         |   | POLS | 134     |
| 2 or more |   | FACs | 304     |
| FAC       | + | PAL  | 30      |
| FAC       | + | POL  | 49      |
| PAL       | + | POL  | <br>301 |
| Total     |   |      | 832     |

- 2) There are 28 people that have had duplicate registration certificates issued to them, resulting in 34 registration certificates.
- 3) In order to rectify the issuance of duplicate licences and registrations, the information is being forwarded to the appropriate individuals for verification and correction as they are discovered. As part of the on-going data verification process, these duplicates are investigated and corrected on a timely basis.