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Mr. Dennis R. Young
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Room 452D - Centre Block
House of Commons
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Our file Notre référence

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Dear Mr. Young:

This is further to our correspondence of October 26, 2001 advising you of a 60 day time extension which was required to process your request under the *Access to Information Act*. Your application fee receipt in the amount of \$5.00 is also attached

The processing of items 3 (*the number of Personal Information Requests received from individuals wanting their records from the FIP database*) and 4 (*the number of individuals requesting their personal information to be corrected or removed from the FIP database*) of your request will necessitate the manual review of approximately 4000 files. In order to provide you with access to the information you have requested charges have been assessed under section 11(2) of the *Act*.

A total of \$250.00 is assessed for the search time requested to locate the information you are seeking. The charges are required to cover the more than 30 hours which will be needed to process your request. Please be advised that the first 5 hours of search time will be borne by our institution. The remaining 25 hours will be billed at \$10.00 per hour.

If you wish to proceed with your request, please make a cheque or a money order payable to the Receiver General of Canada in the amount of \$250.00. Payment in full must be received by this office before we will continue the processing of your request.

In the interim, the following constitutes an answer to the remaining items of your request:

1 - the number of individuals listed in the Firearms Interest Police database (FIP)

3,731,716 as of November 3, 2001

2 - the number of these individuals that have been entered into the FIP database in accordance with the strict legislative criteria outlined in Section 5 of the Firearms Act

Same number as item 1

5 - the number of records in the FIP database that are based on incidents that are five years old or older

The FIP database houses records from many contributing agencies. As far as FIP records generated by the RCMP agencies, there are zero records in the FIP database based on incidents that are five years or older. One would need to enquire separately with each contributing police department to determine if any of their records are based on such incidents.

6 - the number of "witnesses" and "victims" listed in the FIP database

There are zero "witnesses" or "victims" listed in the FIP database as generated by information from RCMP agencies. One would need to enquire separately with each other contributing police department to determine if any of their records are based on such incidents.

Note that you have the right to bring a complaint before the Information Commissioner concerning any aspect of our processing of your request. The Notice of Complaint should be addressed to: **Information Commissioner, Tower "B", Place de Ville, 112 Kent Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 1H3.**