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Dear Mr. Mavani:

Thank you for providing me with Honourable Judge S.R. Creagh's Fatality Inquiry Report into the death of Mr. Marcel Moisan. This letter is in response to the Judge Creagh's recommendation in Mr. Moisan's fatality inquiry (citing the 2018 J.T Oatway Fatality Inquiry Report). The one recommendation is as follows:

Alberta's police services "...continue to marshal and communicate any data collected by them" in support of research on the use of force and the risk of in-custody deaths related to Excited Delirium Syndrome.

The Public Security Division has reviewed this report on my behalf and determined the following:

- Alberta's police services have been, and continue to be, active participants in research on Excited Delirium Syndrome and other aspects of use of force.
- Alberta's Policing Standards and associated guidelines direct that police collect and analyze data on all incidents involving use of force and use that data to support research that will inform decisions on related risk management practices.

The ministry accepts Judge Creagh's recommendation as reminders for police services to continue current best practices. As such, I have requested the Assistant Deputy Minister/Director of Law Enforcement (the Director) to issue a letter to all chiefs of police and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to remind them of the importance of supporting academic and operational research into Excited Delirium Syndrome and in-custody deaths, the use of force, and policing in general.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the recommendation of the inquiry. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Yours truly,

*Original Signed*

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Associate Deputy Minister,  
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