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Subject: RE: UPDATE - FOR APPROVAL: RCMP Appreciation Day Statement and Social Media
Sent: 01/30/2024 22:56:59

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Sent: 01/30/2024 00:04:41

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To: Sims, Brian A PSSG:EX (Brian.Sims@gov.bc.ca)
Subject: RE: [FOR PSB REVIEW] Social Media for RCMP Appreciation Day
Sent: 01/26/2024 16:49:21

Thanks!

From: Sims, Brian A PSSG:EX <Brian.Sims@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 8:49 AM
To: Tally, Holly PSSG:EX <Holly.Tally@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: [FOR PSB REVIEW] Social Media for RCMP Appreciation Day

Good thanks

From: Tally, Holly PSSG:EX <Holly.Tally@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2024 8:47 AM
To: Sims, Brian A PSSG:EX <Brian.Sims@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: [FOR PSB REVIEW] Social Media for RCMP Appreciation Day

Happy Friday!

Any concerns with the attached before I send back to GCPE?

From: Tally, Holly PSSG:EX
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2024 9:15 AM
To: Sims, Brian A PSSG:EX <Brian.Sims@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: [FOR PSB REVIEW] Social Media for RCMP Appreciation Day

Hi Brian,

GCPE has put together some social media posts for RCMP Appreciation Day on Feb 1st.

I've reviewed and they look fine to me. Any concerns from you?

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Subject: RE: BC Gov News - Minister's statement on police officers in B.C.
Sent: 01/31/2024 23:14:59

Yup! Just hopping off the phone....

From: Harris, Megan PSSG:EX <Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:11 PM
To: Tally, Holly PSSG:EX <Holly.Tally@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Re: BC Gov News - Minister's statement on police officers in B.C.

Okay, did you want to pop in for one sec?

From: "Tally, Holly PSSG:EX" <Holly.Tally@gov.bc.ca>
Date: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 3:09 PM
To: "Harris, Megan PSSG:EX" <Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: BC Gov News - Minister's statement on police officers in B.C.

I don't have any meetings for the rest of the afternoon.

From: Harris, Megan PSSG:EX <Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 2:39 PM
To: Tally, Holly PSSG:EX <Holly.Tally@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Re: BC Gov News - Minister's statement on police officers in B.C.

Thanks... It came up in our DM steering committee for SCAP actually – I got questioned by Christine Massey as to why we don't have that ... Lets have a chat when you have a moment

From: "Tally, Holly PSSG:EX" <Holly.Tally@gov.bc.ca>
Date: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 2:37 PM
To: "Harris, Megan PSSG:EX" <Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: BC Gov News - Minister's statement on police officers in B.C.

I haven't seen anything like that come from them. But it's a good idea – I'll ask if that's something they have capacity to do.

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Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 2:15 PM
To: Tally, Holly PSSG:EX <Holly.Tally@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Re: BC Gov News - Minister's statement on police officers in B.C.

Gotcha... Ardys and I didn't know this was going out. Does our GCPE team send out a week at a glance email by chance so we know what is coming up?

Megan

From: "Tally, Holly PSSG:EX" <Holly.Tally@gov.bc.ca>
Date: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 2:10 PM
To: "Harris, Megan PSSG:EX" <Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: BC Gov News - Minister's statement on police officers in B.C.

Hi,

It is. But Michael wanted to avoid addressing the proclamation directly. His direction was to make it less RCMP focused.

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Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 2:10 PM
To: Tally, Holly PSSG:EX <Holly.Tally@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: BC Gov News - Minister's statement on police officers in B.C.

Hi Holly,

Is this in relation to the proclamation? It doesn't say...

From: "noreply.newsondemand@gov.bc.ca" <noreply.newsondemand@gov.bc.ca>
Reply-To: Government of British Columbia <gcpe.news@gov.bc.ca>
Date: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 2:02 PM
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To: Crowley, Matthew GCPE:EX (Matthew.Crowley@gov.bc.ca)
Subject: RE: FOR MO APPROVAL: RCMP Appreciation Day Statement and Social Media
Sent: 01/30/2024 23:02:28

Hi,

Statement is approved.

From: Evans, Alisha GCPE:EX <Alisha.Evans@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 10:51 AM
To: Tally, Holly PSSG:EX <Holly.Tally@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Crowley, Matthew GCPE:EX <Matthew.Crowley@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: FOR MO APPROVAL: RCMP Appreciation Day Statement and Social Media
Importance: High

Hey Holly,

We got some feedback from the MO on the RCMP appreciation day statement. See their comments below.

Matthew has reframed the statement based on MO's feedback and sharing back with PSB for review. The statement is left in track changes so the branch can see where edits were made.

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Apologies for the urgency on this one, as Matthew noted, this was a last-minute request that came in yesterday.

Thank you for your help as always!

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I would like to acknowledge with respect the Lekwungen people, including the Esquimalt and Songhees First Nations, whose land I am grateful to live, work and play on.

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Michael

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Hi MO,

Here is a draft of the Minister's statement on RCMP Appreciation Day as well as the social media package. The statement and social media are both PSB approved, and the graphic has been approved by GCPE Digital. The statement is set to go out at 7:45am on Jan 31.

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Minister's statement on [police officers across British Columbia](#)

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Sent: 01/30/2024 22:53:18

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