

PROTOCOL BETWEEN
THE ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
AND
THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND CONSTABULARY

Pertaining to investigations in respective jurisdiction of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary.

PREAMBLE

On June 25th, 2002 a meeting between the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary discussed criminal investigations conducted in each other's policing jurisdiction. The protocol will specify the notification procedure to follow when one police force carries out criminal investigations in the jurisdiction of the other police force ensuring public and police officer safety and appropriate reciprocal assistance.

OBJECTIVE

The RCMP and the RNC wish to achieve greater cooperation in conducting criminal investigations in each other's jurisdiction and to enhance law enforcement in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

THE ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

1. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) will notify the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary (RNC) of their intention to enter the jurisdiction of the RNC to conduct criminal investigations.
2. In cases where a member from a District is conducting the investigation, the District Commander will notify the Shift Commander of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary.
3. In cases where specialized sections are conducting the investigation (ie: Serious Crime, Drug Section), the officer in charge of that particular section will notify the appropriate officer in the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary.

THE ROYAL NEWFOUNDLAND CONSTABULARY

1. The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary will notify the Royal Canadian Mounted Police of their intention to enter the jurisdiction of the RCMP to conduct criminal investigations.
2. In cases where the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary are conducting an investigation in a District, the Shift Commander of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary will notify the District Commander.

3. In cases where specialized sections are conducting the investigation (ie: Serious Crime, Drug Section), the officer in charge of that particular section will notify the appropriate officer in the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

MONITORING PROCEDURE

1. To ensure a high level of cooperation is maintained, the RCMP's Criminal Operations Officer or his delegate will maintain a liaison with the RNC's Deputy Chief Operations and will meet when required.
2. When resolutions cannot be reached at this level, they will be referred to the Commanding Officer of the RCMP "B" Division and the Chief of the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary.

NOTIFICATION AND TERMINATION

This protocol may be amended or terminated upon giving parties affected by such amendment or termination thirty days prior notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROTOCOL

This protocol comes into force on the 1st day of December, 2002.

Signed on behalf of the RCMP this 25th day of November, 2002

Mr. R. Lynch C/Asst.

Signed on behalf of the RNC this 28th day of November, 2002

Ernie D/Chief