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Ottawa Police Service Board and Ottawa Police Service Welcome Inspector General's Notice of Issue on Antisemitism and Hate-Motivated Incidents

(Ottawa) – Ontario's Inspector General of Policing today released a [Notice of Issue](#) identifying actions for police services and police service boards to strengthen their responses to rising antisemitic and hate-motivated incidents.

Both Chair Salim Fakirani of the Ottawa Police Service Board and Chief Eric Stubbs participated in the Inspectorate of Policing's June 15, 2026 discussion on addressing antisemitism and strengthening community safety. The session brought together community representatives, police services, police service boards, and system partners from across Ontario to discuss the rise in antisemitic incidents, share perspectives, and identify opportunities to strengthen local responses.

The Board appreciates the Inspectorate's leadership in convening these important discussions. The Notice of Issue will be received by the Board for information at its July meeting and subsequently examined by its Policy and Governance Committee.

"Antisemitism has no place in our communities," said Chair Fakirani. "The discussions convened by the Inspectorate reinforced the importance of listening to those directly affected and ensuring that concerns raised by communities are reflected in policing priorities, accountability, and oversight."

"We thank the Inspectorate of Policing for bringing together community leaders, police services, and governance representatives to advance this important work," Chair Fakirani added. "The Board will receive the Notice of Issue at its next meeting, and the Policy and Governance Committee will examine its implications for police governance in Ottawa."

"Police services have a responsibility to take antisemitic incidents seriously, investigate them thoroughly, and support those who are targeted," said Chief Stubbs. "This discussion allowed us to hear directly from Jewish community representatives and share approaches with policing partners across Ontario. Those perspectives will help inform how we continue strengthening our prevention, reporting, and investigative efforts. The Ottawa Police Service remains committed to working with the community to address antisemitism and help ensure Jewish residents feel safe, supported, and confident reporting incidents to police."

The Notice of Issue will be formally received by the Board for information at its regularly scheduled meeting on **Monday, July 27, 2026, at 4 p.m.** In accordance with [the Board's published 2026 meeting schedule](#), the meeting will be held **virtually via Zoom**. Information on how to access the meeting will be included in the meeting agenda.

The Policy and Governance Committee will examine the Notice of Issue and discuss related next steps at its meeting on **Wednesday, July 29, 2026**.

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