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## Statement from Ottawa Police Services Board Chair Diane Deans

(Ottawa) – Today, the Ottawa Police Services Board and Chief Peter Sloly reached a mutually agreed upon separation. Effective immediately Chief Sloly is no longer employed with the Ottawa Police Service. We thank Chief Sloly for his service to the City of Ottawa. As this is a labour relations matter, no further comment will be made.

Deputy Chief Steve Bell will be the Interim Chief until further notice. The Board is already at work to put in place a new command structure and will be appointing a new Chief very soon.

The Board's priority is to ensure a plan is put in place to bring about a peaceful end put to the occupation of our city, as expeditiously as possible. The Integrated Command Centre, which includes our RCMP and OPP partners, will continue to operate.

The Ottawa Police Services Board is the civilian body responsible for governing the Ottawa Police Service. It is responsible for ensuring the provision of adequate and effective police services to the residents of the City of Ottawa.

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