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Canadians are understandably concerned about crime and public safety. They are looking to governments for adequate and appropriate action. I feel confident that the changes proposed substantively address these concerns and that the Bill accurately reflects our shared commitment to increase measures that safeguard the health and safety of Canadians.

Please rest assured that we will consult extensively on implementation phases for the new program. The first opportunity for this will come with the all-member, Parliamentary Committee that will be receptive to all points of view on every aspect of the Bill.

I look forward to working with you on building a successful firearms control program that will help restore public confidence in the criminal justice system and help maintain Canada's image at home and abroad as a peaceful and non-violent society.

Yours very truly,



Allan Rock



