# Statement

## Minister of Justice addresses recent gun violence towards RCMP

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Statement from the Minister of Justice, Hon. Daniel Shewchuk:

“I am deeply disturbed by the recent gun-related violence towards RCMP members in Nunavut.

Acts of violence against those who are here to protect us are a matter of great concern. These men and women risk their lives on a daily basis so that we can have safe communities.

We must work together to ensure the safety of our communities by supporting the well-being of our RCMP members.

I urge all community members to take steps to make sure that firearms are properly stored, secured, and handled with care.

The Government of Nunavut will be working with community members who want to take steps to stop these incidents from happening in the future.

In the meantime, I encourage Nunavummiut to get to know RCMP members and support them in keeping our communities safe.”

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