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Via email: [775@yrp.ca](mailto:775@yrp.ca)

Jim MacSween  
Chief of Police  
York Regional Police  
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Dear Chief MacSween:

**Re: Inquest into the death of: Marc Diza EKAMBA**  
**Date Death Pronounced: March 20, 2015**  
**OCC Inquest File No.: Q2022-06**  
**Date Inquest Jury Verdict &**  
**Recommendations Received: June 3, 2022**

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The jury in the inquest into the death of Marc Diza Ekamba has made recommendations which your organization may be in a position to implement. Please report back regarding your consideration to implement the recommendations relating to your organization by completing the attached chart, *Responses to Jury Recommendations*. Your response is requested by **February 15, 2023**.

A list of organizations requested to report back is provided.

We are pleased to provide you with a copy of the inquest jury verdict and recommendations, as well as the presiding officer's verdict explanation.

I would like to explain the significance of inquests and consequent recommendations under the *Coroners Act*. An inquest is a public hearing conducted by a presiding officer before a jury of five community members. Inquests are held for the purpose of informing the public about the circumstances of a death. An inquest does not find fault, blame or legal wrongdoing but rather examines the circumstances of one or more deaths and looks for lessons that can be learned from the death(s) that may contribute to a safer future for the living. Juries often make recommendations based on these learned lessons and, while they are not binding, it is hoped that implemented recommendations will prevent future deaths in similar circumstances.

Responses to inquest recommendations will be made public. Therefore, your response should not contain personal identifiers with the exception of identifying the decedent.

Please provide us with the name and contact information of the individual leading your organization's response by October 15, 2022. As well, if you feel any of the recommendations should be directed elsewhere, complete the attached *Contact Information and Recommendation Referrals* form and forward to [OCC.inquests@ontario.ca](mailto:OCC.inquests@ontario.ca).

As noted above, inquest jury recommendations are not legally binding; however, we trust they will be given careful consideration for implementation and, if not implemented, that your organization provides an explanation.

Thank you for participating in this important process. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Cameron', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David A. Cameron, MD, LLB, CCFP  
Regional Supervising Coroner – Inquests

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Attachments:

Responses to Jury Recommendations

List of Organizations Requested to Respond to Jury Recommendations

Contact Information and Recommendation Referrals

## Responses to Jury Recommendations

### EKAMBA Inquest Q2022-06

**YORK REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE**

RECOMMENDATIONS:

## # 1 through 18

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**List of Organizations Requested to Respond to Jury Recommendations**

EKAMBA Inquest Q2022-06

All Ontario Police Services

Peel Regional Police Service

Ministry of the Solicitor General

Government of Ontario

Peel Housing Corporation

## **Contact Information and Recommendation Referrals**

Responses to Jury Recommendations

EKAMBA Inquest Q2022-06

### **YORK REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE**

#### **Part I: Contact Information**

Name	Position Title
Email address	Telephone number

#### **Part II: Referral**

We believe the following recommendations may be best addressed by these organizations:

Recommendation Number	Organization Name & Address	Contact Name & Title

**Forward to** [occ.inquests@ontario.ca](mailto:occ.inquests@ontario.ca)