

**NORTH BAY POLICE SERVICES BOARD
HATE PROPAGANDA POLICY**

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PREAMBLE:

It is the policy of the North Bay Police Services Board with respect to undertaking investigations into hate propaganda that the Chief of Police will:

- a. ensure that the community organizations, school boards, victims' organizations, social services agencies, and the media are informed about the police service's procedures for investigating hate propaganda occurrences;
- b. ensure that the Force works, where possible, with community organizations, school boards, victims' organizations, and social service agencies to prevent the repetition of hate propaganda occurrences and to counter the activities of organized hate groups in the community;
- c. develop and maintain procedures that require that investigations into hate propaganda be undertaken and managed in accordance with the police service's criminal investigation management plan;
- d. should it be determined that a need exists to have a dedicated unit to investigate hate/bias motivated crime, that unit will also be responsible for hate propaganda occurrences;
- e. ensure that the police service works with other law enforcement and government agencies to respond to hate/bias motivated crime and the activities of organized groups; and
- f. assess and report back to the board on the need for, cost and feasibility of establishing a dedicated unit to investigate hate/bias motivated crime.

Signed: Colin P. Vezina
 Chairman

 Susan Vester
 Secretary

This policy is subject to the provision of an adequate annual operating budget to enable the Chief of Police to plan for the deployment of personnel and resources, and the absence of any other intervening factors that may frustrate the ability of the Police Service to implement this Policy.