



RESPONSE TO PETITION

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PETITION No.: **421-02197**

BY: **Ms. REMPEL (CALGARY NOSE HILL)**

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PRINT NAME OF SIGNATORY: **THE HONOURABLE RALPH GOODALE, P.C., M.P.**

Response by the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness

SIGNATURE

Minister or Parliamentary Secretary

SUBJECT

Firearms

ORIGINAL TEXT

REPLY

Our government believes in firearms measures that prioritize public safety while ensuring fair treatment for firearms owners.

We have upheld our commitment to ensure that the membership of the Canadian Firearms Advisory Committee represents a broad range of interests because decisions about firearms affect all Canadians. Committee members now include civilian firearms users, farmers, hunters and sport shooters, as well as representatives from conservation organizations, law enforcement, public health organizations, women's groups, and the legal community.

The Committee has members who are well-versed in firearms safety training and licensing, including an Olympic sport shooter, the president of a hunting lodge, and a former chief of police. In addition, committee members receive briefings from Public Safety and RCMP officials on matters including licencing and firearms safety.

Since its establishment in 2006, Canadian Firearms Safety Course training has never been a requirement for CFAC membership.