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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and
Commissioner Thomas Carrique
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FROM: Ken Weatherill
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SUBJECT: **Office of the Chief Coroner and Ontario Forensic
Pathology Service Management of Found Skeletal
Remains Procedure**

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At the request of Dr. Dirk Huyer, Chief Coroner for Ontario, and Dr. Michael Pollanen, Chief Forensic Pathologist for Ontario, I am sharing a communication regarding the Office of the Chief Coroner's and Ontario Forensic Pathology Service's new procedure, which provides guidance on the management of found skeletal remains in Ontario that are apparently not of recent origin. The procedure applies to all members of the death investigation service who may be involved when such skeletal remains are discovered.

Please review the attached memo and procedure document from Dr. Huyer and Dr. Pollanen for further details. If you have questions, please contact the Office of the Chief Coroner at occ.inquiries@ontario.ca by email or 416-314-4000 by phone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken Weatherill".

Ken Weatherill
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Attachments

c: Mario Di Tommaso, O.O.M.
Deputy Solicitor General, Community Safety