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Dear Mr. Ebanks,

The Human Rights Commission (HRC) is aware that the Portfolio of Internal and External Affairs is currently in the process of overseeing the installation of CCTV's in various community settings.

The HRC is very interested in the subject of CCTV's as on the face of the matter the cameras provide the potential to infringe on civil liberties. While we understand the growing security needs for these cameras we would like to ensure that there is a correct balance in the placement of these cameras and the aspects of confidentiality and retention of any images.

Due to these concerns we would therefore ask that we are kept aware of the plans for the CCTV's and would like to offer our assistance should your oversight team have any questions regarding human rights and the placement of these cameras.

I thank you in advance for your consideration on this matter and look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Coles

Chairman, Human Rights Commission