

To: Gráinne Perkins, Interim OPA Director

CC: Nelson Leese, Interim OPA Assistant Director of Investigations and Legal Affairs

From: Nicolette Lattanzio, OIG Public Safety Audit and Investigation Specialist

Date: July 13, 2022

Re: OIG Certification Memo for Case Number: 2022OPA-0054

OIG Certification Memo

OIG has reviewed the investigation for case number <u>2022OPA-0054</u>. The investigation is certified as thorough, timely, and objective.

While this case is receiving full certification, OIG notes that the 5-day notification was not sent timely. Under Article 3.6 (A) of the SPOG CBA, "OPA shall notify the named employee of the receipt of a complaint, including the basic details of the complaint, within five (5) business days after receipt of the complaint by OPA."

In this case, the 5-day notice was due to be sent 2/10/22. Instead, it was sent 2/14/22, three business days beyond the CBA requirement. Since, according to SPOG, such untimeliness is taken into consideration in cases where discipline is being considered, OIG is bringing this to OPA's attention with the intention that OPA will send the 5-day notices timely in the future.

Lastly, OIG understands that OPA has been experiencing a delay with transcription services and that while the transcript of NE's interview is not yet available, OPA will uploaded the transcript to the IAPro case file upon receipt.

Respectfully,

Nicolette Lattanzio, OIG Public Safety and Investigation Specialist