

Communiqué for New DNA Endorsement Procedures **Following Bill C-18**

Key Information

After proclamation of Bill C-18 (January 1st, 2008), before proceeding with a DNA sample collection, police officers will be required to check CPIC to determine if the convicted offender's DNA profile already exists in the National DNA Data Bank (NDDB). If so, police officers will be required to follow the endorsement instructions for orders and/or authorizations and submit the new DNA endorsement form to the NDDB. A new DNA sample should not be collected if the convicted offender's DNA profile is present in the convicted offender index (COI) of the NDDB.

Consequences of Not Following New Endorsement Procedures:

The consequence of not checking CPIC to determine if the convicted offender has a DNA profile in the COI is a duplication of effort in collecting another DNA sample and having it analyzed by the NDDB. This comes as a considerable expense and is needlessly time consuming for the police and the NDDB.

Endorsement Form and Instructions

Both the endorsement form and the instructions are available on the NDDB Web site at www.nddb-bndg.org

Request

It is requested that this communiqué be circulated to all police officers in each division.