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Hon. Dalton McGuinty, MPP, Premier of Ontario
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Dear Premier McGuinty,

Re: Bill C-19 Ending the Long Gun Registry Act

I am writing you today on behalf of the Ontario Council of the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) regarding the federal Bill C-19: Ending the Long Gun Registry Act, and the potential loss of the long gun registry records.

We call on you and your government to advocate for the maintenance of the records that have already been collected for the federal long gun registry, to have them transferred to the provinces should any of you choose to develop your own registries, or have the information available to police to use as an investigative tool.

The Province of Quebec, the federal Information Commissioner and Privacy Commissioner, the Premier of Alberta have all made individual cases to keep this data.

Furthermore CFUW Ontario Council continues to denounce the provisions of the bill that will roll back gun control measures that have been in place since 1977, including:

- Eliminating mandatory license checks with the Registrar for the purchase of non-restricted firearms to ensure that individuals are still eligible to hold licenses; and
- Eliminating the need to maintain transaction records of non-restricted gun sales that have been in place since 1977, tracking the sale or transfer of firearms.

We request that your help in pressuring the federal government to maintain the database, and to eliminate those parts of the bill rescinding license checks and transaction records

The Ontario Council of the Canadian Federation of University Women is composed of 57 clubs comprised of graduates living in urban and rural areas across Ontario. We are non-partisan, non-sectarian and we are totally member funded.

Yours truly,

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