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Dear [INSERT/[LOOK UP YOUR MP](http://www.lop.parl.gc.ca/ParlInfo/Compilations/HouseofCommons/MemberByPostalCode.aspx?Menue=HOC)],

I am writing to you to urge you, as my representative, to implore the Honourable Minister Ralph Goodale to adopt the changes to the pending Canadian Firearms Marking Regulation (under Bill C-10A) presented by the Canadian Sporting Arms and Ammunition Association (CSAAA).

On December 23rd, 2004, the Government of Canada introduced the new regulations on Firearms Marking. They were intended to comply with the*United Nations Firearms Protocol*, a non-binding agreement regarding the international movement of firearms.

This law, postponed for 12 consecutive years by three consecutive governments, will come into force June 1, 2017 and its effect on the $6 billion-per-year Canadian firearms industry could be disastrous without some simple changes that allow Canada to respect the UN Protocol and participate in the fight against the illegal arms trade around the world, without crippling thousands of small retail and wholesale businesses here in Canada, driving up costs for Canadian consumer and causing a potential public safety issue.

The CSAAA has presented the Minister’s office with a very reasonable solution which meets all the desired outcomes of the UN Firearms Protocol, recognizes current industry standards and provides domestic law enforcement agencies with absolute traceability of firearms into and out of the country. The proposed change to Canada’s pending Firearms Marking Regulation requires that all firearms entering Canada be marked with the make, model and a unique identifying serial number that can be used to trace the firearms country of manufacture, the date of export, the exporting agency, the date of import, the importing agency and ultimately the Canadian retailer responsible for the lawful sale of that individual firearm. The current Canadian regulation, as written, requires an additional post-import marking that would cost Canadian business owners $millions to implement, adds nothing to the traceability of the firearm, and may void the manufacturer’s warranty and cause potentially dangerous damage to the firearm.

As a law-abiding Canadian firearms owner, I am requesting that you support the CSAAA’s proposed change to this regulation and urge Minister Goodale to act quickly to adopt this change prior to the regulation’s coming into effect date of June 1st, 2017.

For more information, please do not hesitate to contact the CSAAA at 1-705-875-2302 or info.csaaa@gmail.com. Your swift consideration in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

[INSERT YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS NAME, SIGN ABOVE]