POLICE HIGH COMMAND Responds to Gleaner Editorial

The Police High Command has taken note of a Gleaner Editorial dated July 25, 2017 titled “What of JCF’s Promised Tivoli Review” which suggests that the Jamaica Constabulary Force has not conducted the Administrative Review into the 2010 West Kingston Operation.

The High Command is confirming that it has adhered to the recommendations of the enquiry report. In fact, the review was conducted between February 28 and June 18, 2017 and the final report was submitted to the Commissioner of Police Mr. George Quallo on July 7, 2017.

As per the terms of reference, the review committee – which was chaired by a Deputy Commissioner of Police and four (4) prominent members of civil society – was required to examine the Operations Plan to determine if the Command structure was appropriate; if the Command protocol was adequate; if the span of Command was clear; if the span of Command was effective; if the system to ensure effective and adequate investigation in the event of the resort to the Use of Force by members of the JCF existed and was followed; to determine, in light of the findings above, whether the conduct of the named officers amounted to misconduct; and to make recommendations consistent with the findings.

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There were nine (9) overall recommendations based on the findings. The Commissioner of Police is presently having the report shared with the various oversight bodies for the JCF.