## A. Purpose

1. The purpose of this directive is to offer a clear understanding in relation to the investigative process conducted by this Service.

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## B. Policy

1. It is the policy of this Service to protect life and property, in accordance with the highest standards of professional skill, integrity and accountability, by utilizing an investigative system, based on operational priorities and solvability factors.

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## C. <u>Definitions</u>

- 1. For the purposes of this directive, the following definitions shall apply:
  - (a) "Habeas Corpus" refers to a procedure for obtaining a judicial determination of the legality of an individual's custody;
  - (b) "background investigations" refers to investigations which are intended to provide a profile of a subject who is a "person of interest". Evidence gathered shall be used for the purpose of supporting the prosecution or vindicating a person;

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- (i) "Investigative Coordinators" mean a police Officer assigned to supervise the daily operation of a wire room during their assigned shift;
- (j) "The Criminal Management Investigation Plan" was created to establish a criminal investigation management plan that offers a clear understanding of the investigative process conducted by this Service. It has been produced with the intention of ensuring that we conduct criminal investigations in an effective and efficient manner. This plan is also established to satisfy the requirements of the Provincial Adequacy Standards Regulations;
- (k) "The Ontario Major Case Management Manual" is a manual developed by representatives of the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services and the policing community, which sets out a set of minimum investigative standards for case management and investigation of major cases within the Province of Ontario. The manual includes policies and procedures for linking investigative data and for sharing