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# Fantino blasts 'sinister cynicism' over donation of helicopter

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Fantino also used the opportunity to slam the media for cynicism and suspicion in questioning the integrity of the donation.

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"I was amazed and most disappointed at the aura of sinister cynicism," he said. "A great deal of rhetoric ensued about the integrity of the whole process. It's time to put that issue to bed."

"This is an honest, bona fide, community-spirited donation. This is truly an act of community-spirited charity. There isn't always some diabolical conspiracy."

Fantino was joined at Buttonville Airport by a host of dignitaries, including new Chief Robert Middaugh, deputy chiefs Armand LaBarge and Terence Kelly, Fisch, York Region mayors Lorna Jackson, Jim Mortson, Tim Jones and Margaret Black.

"We are grateful the donor has come forward to dispel the many rumours out there," said Black, who is chairperson of the police services board, said. "This has tied the past and future together. His grandfather gave aircraft to the war effort and now his grandson gives aircraft for another war effort and that is the war on crime."

"This will add significantly to officer safety and, more importantly, the safety of the Region of York," Middaugh said.

"It is irrelevant to me whether the donors were known or weren't, it is a very generous donation and we'll use it."

MacLellan said in an interview, since the helicopter was due to be delivered yesterday, Burnett reasoned it was as good a time as any to reveal his identity.

"The approach he takes is low key and anonymous. It's the approach taken traditionally by his family," MacLellan said.

"He is aware of the suspicions in the media and saw this as a natural time to come forward. He didn't expect anything near the interest."

Burnett owns a commercial carrier and helicopter taxi business in Texas, MacLellan said, as well as numerous other businesses in Canada and the U.K.

"He is following in the tradition of his family. He is a philanthropist and he likes to do it on a low-key, anonymous basis. They are usually gifts in kind, as opposed to monetary."

The Enstrom, which has logged 350 hours and is equipped to fly 24 hours a day, will cost \$350,000 a year to run and maintain, said regional chairperson Bill Fisch. That's about \$500 an hour, he said, adding the money has already been set aside in this year's budget.

During the six-month pilot project last year, the Bell Jet Ranger copter shared by the York and Durham forces responded to 400 calls, with an average response time of three minutes.

In a particular area that was consistently helicopter-patrolled, break and enters dropped by 19 per cent. It aided in the seizure of \$4 million in illicit drugs and helped police lay 86 charges against drag racers over the summer months.

"Now I am able to express my gratitude to the police services board members and political leaders in the region and at the province for the support we received for this project, which is realized today in a more significant way than even I anticipated," Fantino said.

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Announcement

## Entry Forms Now Available for 2000 Legacy Run/Walk



(l-r) Gerard Gervais Race Director, Bruce Ramer of Brooks, Sheri Evans Race Co-Ordinator show prizes available through the Brooks Individual Incentive programs, while Bill Crothers, Chair of the MSH Foundation Board holds a handful of entry forms.

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