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## Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina February 21, 1974

## \*1 In Re: Municipal Auxiliary Police Forces

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## Dear Leo:

Mr. McLeod has referred to me your letter of February 13, 1974, inquiring about the possible existence of municipal auxiliary police forces.

This Office has no official information to the effect that any such force exists in the State; however, I have been told that there are several such organizations operating in conjunction with official municipal police departments.

This Office has expressed the opinion several times that there is no authority whatever for the creation of an auxiliary police department by a municipality. I agree with you personally that such an organization could create a highly explosive situation.

Yours very truly,

Joseph C. Coleman Deputy Attorney General

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