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Superintendent John Faso
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Dear Mayor Restaino and Chief Faso:

My office recently forwarded to you a check in the amount of \$157,805.00. These funds were allotted to Niagara County through the Manhattan County District Attorney's forfeiture fund and are specifically meant to assist in costs brought on by the recent criminal discovery reforms and bail reform laws.

I am hopeful that additional funds may be available in upcoming years. In order for the Niagara Falls Police Department to be eligible for additional funds, we will have to show that we are expending these funds towards costs related to criminal discovery compliance and bail reform matters.

I am happy to be able to forward this check to you as I know you have expended a tremendous amount of time and expense complying with the, up until now, unfunded mandates.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Very truly yours,

Brian D. Seaman
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