

May 21, 2019

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015* (TCII/41/2019)

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Dear [REDACTED]:

On April 23, 2019, the Department of Tourism, Culture, Industry and Innovation received your request for access to the following records:

*“Emails sent/received re Budget 2019 from April 1, 2019 to present (April 23, 2019) (Applicant clarified request to search specifically: Minister, Deputy Minister, and Assistant Deputy Ministers).”*

I am pleased to inform you that a decision has been made by the Deputy Minister for the Department of Tourism, Culture, Industry and Innovation to provide access to some of the requested information. Access to the remaining records, and/or information contained within the records, has been refused in accordance with the following exceptions to disclosure, as specified in the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the Act):

s.29 (1 (a)).

**Policy advice or recommendations**

29. (1) The head of a public body may refuse to disclose to an applicant information that would reveal

- (a) advice, proposals, recommendations, analyses or policy options developed by or for a public body or minister;

As required by 8(2) of the Act, we have severed information that is unable to be disclosed and have provided you with as much information as possible. In accordance with your request for a copy of the records, the appropriate copies have been enclosed.

Please be advised that you may appeal this decision and ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the decision to provide partial access to the requested information, as set out in section 42 of the Act (a copy of this section of the Act has been enclosed for your reference). A request to the Commissioner must be made in writing within 15 business days of the date of this letter or within a longer period that may be allowed by the Commissioner. Your appeal should identify your concerns with the request and why you are submitting the appeal.

The appeal may be addressed to the Information and Privacy Commissioner is as follows:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner  
2 Canada Drive  
P. O. Box 13004, Stn. A  
St. John's, NL. A1B 3V8  
Telephone: (709) 729-6309  
Toll-Free: 1-877-729-6309  
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

You may also appeal directly to the Supreme Court Trial Division within 15 business days after you receive the decision of the public body, pursuant to section 52 of the Act.

Please be advised that responsive records will be published following a 72 hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the responsive records posted to the Office of Public Engagement's website within one business day following the applicable period of time. Please note that requests for personal information will not be posted online.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me phone at (709) 729-7084 or by e-mail at [blairmatthews@gov.nl.ca](mailto:blairmatthews@gov.nl.ca)

Sincerely,



Blair Matthews  
ATIPP Coordinator

### **Access or correction complaint**

42. (1) A person who makes a request under this Act for access to a record or for correction of personal information may file a complaint with the commissioner respecting a decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request.

(2) A complaint under subsection (1) shall be filed in writing not later than 15 business days

(a) after the applicant is notified of the decision of the head of the public body, or the date of the act or failure to act; or

(b) after the date the head of the public body is considered to have refused the request under subsection 16 (2).

(3) A third party informed under section 19 of a decision of the head of a public body to grant access to a record or part of a record in response to a request may file a complaint with the commissioner respecting that decision.

(4) A complaint under subsection (3) shall be filed in writing not later than 15 business days after the third party is informed of the decision of the head of the public body.

(5) The commissioner may allow a longer time period for the filing of a complaint under this section.

(6) A person or third party who has appealed directly to the Trial Division under subsection 52 (1) or 53 (1) shall not file a complaint with the commissioner.

(7) The commissioner shall refuse to investigate a complaint where an appeal has been commenced in the Trial Division.

(8) A complaint shall not be filed under this section with respect to

(a) a request that is disregarded under section 21 ;

(b) a decision respecting an extension of time under section 23 ;

(c) a variation of a procedure under section 24 ; or

(d) an estimate of costs or a decision not to waive a cost under section 26 .

(9) The commissioner shall provide a copy of the complaint to the head of the public body concerned.

### **Direct appeal to Trial Division by an applicant**

52. (1) Where an applicant has made a request to a public body for access to a record or correction of personal information and has not filed a complaint with the commissioner under section 42 , the applicant may appeal the decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request directly to the Trial Division.

(2) An appeal shall be commenced under subsection (1) not later than 15 business days

(a) after the applicant is notified of the decision of the head of the public body, or the date of the act or failure to act; or

(b) after the date the head of the public body is considered to have refused the request under subsection 16 (2).

(3) Where an applicant has filed a complaint with the commissioner under section 42 and the commissioner has refused to investigate the complaint, the applicant may commence an appeal in the Trial Division of the decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request for access to a record or for correction of personal information.

(4) An appeal shall be commenced under subsection (3) not later than 15 business days after the applicant is notified of the commissioner's refusal under subsection 45 (2).

If you have any questions please contact me by telephone at 709-729-7084, or by email at [blairmatthews@gov.nl.ca](mailto:blairmatthews@gov.nl.ca).

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**From:** Mundon, Tansy  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 13, 2019 11:04 AM  
**To:** Mitchelmore, Christopher; Bown, Charles; George, Bradley  
**Subject:** FW: Budget Day Briefing

Minister,  
FYI, I have added the business and industry lock-in time to your calendar.  
Thanks,  
Tansy

**From:** Barfoot, Scott  
**Sent:** Friday, April 12, 2019 2:54 PM  
**To:** Marnell, Debbie <[DebbieMarnell@gov.nl.ca](mailto:DebbieMarnell@gov.nl.ca)>; Hunt-Grouchy, Michelle <[MichelleHuntGrouchy@gov.nl.ca](mailto:MichelleHuntGrouchy@gov.nl.ca)>; Howard, Jacquelyn <[jacquelynhoward@gov.nl.ca](mailto:jacquelynhoward@gov.nl.ca)>; Budgell, Marc <[MarcBudgell@gov.nl.ca](mailto:MarcBudgell@gov.nl.ca)>; Tompkins, John <[jtompkins@gov.nl.ca](mailto:jtompkins@gov.nl.ca)>; Newhook, Tina <[TinaNewhook@gov.nl.ca](mailto:TinaNewhook@gov.nl.ca)>; Barron, Danielle <[DanielleBarron@gov.nl.ca](mailto:DanielleBarron@gov.nl.ca)>; Shea, Erin <[ErinShea@gov.nl.ca](mailto:ErinShea@gov.nl.ca)>; Gillis, Heather <[HeatherGillis@gov.nl.ca](mailto:HeatherGillis@gov.nl.ca)>; Bock, Allan <[AllanBock@gov.nl.ca](mailto:AllanBock@gov.nl.ca)>; O'Neill, Melony <[MelonyOneill@gov.nl.ca](mailto:MelonyOneill@gov.nl.ca)>; Mundon, Tansy <[TansyMundon@gov.nl.ca](mailto:TansyMundon@gov.nl.ca)>; Scott, Brian <[BrianScott@gov.nl.ca](mailto:BrianScott@gov.nl.ca)>; Hollett, Nancy <[NancyHollett@gov.nl.ca](mailto:NancyHollett@gov.nl.ca)>  
**Cc:** Card, Jason <[JasonCard@gov.nl.ca](mailto:JasonCard@gov.nl.ca)>; Sulley, Erin <[ErinSulley@gov.nl.ca](mailto:ErinSulley@gov.nl.ca)>; Joyce, Luke <[LukeJoyce@gov.nl.ca](mailto:LukeJoyce@gov.nl.ca)>; Bruce, Glenn <[GlennBruce@gov.nl.ca](mailto:GlennBruce@gov.nl.ca)>; Higdon, Geoff <[GeoffHigdon@gov.nl.ca](mailto:GeoffHigdon@gov.nl.ca)>  
**Subject:** Budget Day Briefing

Hello,

The Department of Finance is holding a budget briefing for communications directors and executive assistants on Tuesday morning (April 16) at 8 a.m. in the Collective Bargaining Boardroom. It is important for all of you to be in attendance as it provides you with first-hand insights into the budget.

Also, for your reference, enclosed is the schedule for stakeholder lock-ins. Flagging in the event your ministers may wish to drop in and connect with their stakeholder groups.

- 12:00 p.m.**            **Business and Industry leaders lock-in -**  
                         Centre for Learning and Development, Training Rooms 2, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, West Block  
**Technical Briefing – 12:30 p.m.**
- 12:00 p.m.**            **Labour groups lock-in**  
                         Municipal Affairs Boardroom, Fourth Floor, West Block  
**Technical Briefing – 12:30 p.m.**
- 12:00 p.m.**            **Social sector lock-in -**  
                         Collective Bargaining Boardroom, East Block)  
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Finally, while the Budget speech is being delivered, industry and community partners will be speaking with the media in the main lobby. You are encouraged to go over and get a feel for what they are articulating in their interviews. There may also be interview opportunities for your minister.

Call with any questions or to discuss.

Best,  
Scott

Scott Barfoot  
Director of Strategic Communications (Planning)  
Communications Branch – Executive Council  
709-729-4864

**Joy, Carla**

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**From:** Mundon, Tansy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 16, 2019 2:51 PM  
**To:** Skinner, Gillian  
**Cc:** Bown, Charles; Hearn, Judith  
**Subject:** Re: Budget Speech

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**To:** Mundon, Tansy  
**Cc:** Bown, Charles; Hearn, Judith  
**Subject:** RE: Budget Speech

FYI- The highlighted reference is in this release

<https://www.releases.gov.nl.ca/releases/2019/fin/0416n01.aspx>

**From:** Skinner, Gillian  
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**To:** Mundon, Tansy <[TansyMundon@gov.nl.ca](mailto:TansyMundon@gov.nl.ca)>  
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*Expanding on McKinsey's recommendations of better collaboration between government, industry and post-secondary institutions, we are capitalizing on growing opportunities, including establishing a non-destructive testing training program at the College of the North Atlantic campus in Gander. The Department of Advanced Education, Skills and Labour, is adding a trade designation for the Air Maintenance Engineer Program at the College of the North Atlantic campus in Gander. We will be the second province in Canada to make this designation. We are also working with the college and Federal Government on further plans to upgrade and modernize the College of the North Atlantic's Gander campus aerospace programming. Combined, upgrades to the Gander campus and the non-destructive training program will be supported by the Provincial Government and College of the North Atlantic investing more than \$1 million*

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**From:** Dorian Rowe <dorian@nlfdc.ca>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 17, 2019 2:38 PM  
**To:** Bown, Charles  
**Subject:** RE: Budget

Hi Charles,  
Yes, I can confirm that we have received the full drawdown.  
Thanks,  
Dorian

**From:** Bown, Charles [mailto:CBown@gov.nl.ca]  
**Sent:** April-17-19 2:31 PM  
**To:** 'dorian@nlfdc.ca' <dorian@nlfdc.ca>; 'ric@pippypark.com' <ric@pippypark.com>; 'jerry@heritagenl.ca' <jerry@heritagenl.ca>; 'rwinsor@nlac.ca' <rwinsor@nlac.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: Budget

I've since been advised that the full operating budget for your entities has been allocated to you. This does not include any new initiatives announced in the budget yesterday.  
Charles

**From:** Bown, Charles  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 16, 2019 7:48 PM  
**To:** 'dorian@nlfdc.ca' <dorian@nlfdc.ca>; 'ric@pippypark.com' <ric@pippypark.com>; 'jerry@heritagenl.ca' <jerry@heritagenl.ca>; 'rwinsor@nlac.ca' <rwinsor@nlac.ca>  
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I'd like to advise that while the budget was tabled today it has not been passed by the House of Assembly. Until that time all departments, agencies and commissions will be operating on Interim Supply. This means you will have access to 25% of your budget and that excludes any new initiatives announced in the budget. If the specific amounts available to any one of you changes, then I will advise accordingly.  
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**From:** Ric Mercer <ric@pippypark.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 17, 2019 3:45 PM  
**To:** Bown, Charles  
**Subject:** RE: Budget

Thanks Charles  
Ric

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