

August 20, 2019



Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015* [Our File #: PRE/55/2019]

On July 24, 2019 the Premier's Office received your request for access to the following records/information:

"Any correspondence between Indigenous groups and the Premier's office pertaining to a formal provincial apology for Labrador residential school survivors. Request includes correspondence in any and all formats, including paper and electronic. Date range of request: November 22nd, 2017 to the present."

I am pleased to inform you that a decision has been made by the Chief of Staff of the Premier's Office to provide access to the requested information.

You may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the processing of your access request, as set out in section 42 of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the *Act*). 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.

Contact information for 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 this response, pursuant to section 52 of the *Act* (a copy of sections 42 and 52 of the *Act* have been enclosed for your reference). This response will be published as outlined on the Completed Access to Information Requests website. (<http://atipp-search.gov.nl.ca/>)

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me by telephone at (709)729-3570 or by e-mail at joybuckle@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. W. W. W. W." with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

for
Joy Buckle
ATIPP Coordinator
Enclosure

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).

Buckle, Joy

From: Keith Goulding <kgoulding@qalipu.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2017 2:44 PM
To: Gover, Aubrey; Isabella Pain (isabella.pain@nunatsiavut.com); Dorothy Earle (dearle@nunatukavut.ca); Kashkuan Communications (donna.paddon@kashkuan.ca); White, Judy; Card, Jason
Cc: Bert Pomeroy (bert.pomeroy@nunatsiavut.com); Executive Assistance (executiveasst@nunatukavut.ca)
Subject: RE: Conference Call Tomorrow re NL Apology

Sure I can participate.

Keith

From: Gover, Aubrey [mailto:aubreygover@gov.nl.ca]
Sent: November-30-17 12:56 PM
To: Isabella Pain (isabella.pain@nunatsiavut.com) <isabella.pain@nunatsiavut.com>; Dorothy Earle (dearle@nunatukavut.ca) <dearle@nunatukavut.ca>; Kashkuan Communications (donna.paddon@kashkuan.ca) <donna.paddon@kashkuan.ca>; Keith Goulding <kgoulding@qalipu.ca>; White, Judy <JudyWhite@gov.nl.ca>; Card, Jason <JasonCard@gov.nl.ca>
Cc: Bert Pomeroy (bert.pomeroy@nunatsiavut.com) <bert.pomeroy@nunatsiavut.com>; Executive Assistance (executiveasst@nunatukavut.ca) <executiveasst@nunatukavut.ca>
Subject: Conference Call Tomorrow re NL Apology
Importance: High

We would like to have a call amongst officials tomorrow morning at 11:30 on the island and 11 in Labrador to follow up on the Thursday morning call with Leaders and the Premier on a Provincial Apology. We would like to have a general discussion around the timing and other matters related to that Apology. Please advise of your available to participate in the call tomorrow. Thanks.

Aubrey Gover
Deputy Minister
Indigenous Affairs
Government of Newfoundland and Labrador

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From: Darlene Wall <dwall@nunatukavut.ca>
Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2017 8:02 AM
To: Gover, Aubrey
Cc: White, Judy; Card, Jason
Subject: RE: Call re NL Apology

Yes, I will do that... thanks!



Darlene Wall
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From: Gover, Aubrey [mailto:aubreygover@gov.nl.ca]
Sent: December 7, 2017 7:31 AM
To: Darlene Wall
Cc: White, Judy; Card, Jason
Subject: RE: Call re NL Apology

Thanks please call into 729-6493 at 400 your time (430 on the island).

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From: Darlene Wall [mailto:dwall@nunatukavut.ca]
Sent: Thursday, December 07, 2017 5:28 AM
To: Gover, Aubrey
Subject: Re: Call re NL Apology

Good Morning,

Yes, I am available for a call at 4 p.m. AST today. Thanks!

Darlene

From: Gover, Aubrey <aubreygover@gov.nl.ca>
Sent: December 6, 2017 3:16:39 PM
To: Darlene Wall
Subject: Call re NL Apology

Darlene, I was wondering would it be possible to have a bilateral officials call between NunatuKavut and NL on the NL Apology regarding residential schools at 4:00 PM LB time (4:30 PM on the island) tomorrow or some time on Friday. The call would involve for NL, Jason Card from the Premier's Office, Judy White and me. We just wanted to have a general chat about NunatuKavut's expectations re this Apology in terms of content, location, timing, and other aspects of the Apology. Thanks.

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From: Gover, Aubrey
Sent: Friday, December 01, 2017 11:52 AM
To: Darlene Wall
Subject: Re: Conference Call re NL Apology

Will do.

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Thanks - please add me to your contact list for this file. I will be NCC's rep.

Have a great weekend!



Darlene Wall

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Hi There,

Is there another phone number I should use? I'm continuing to get a busy signal using the one you provided.



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Buckle, Joy

From: Isabella Pain <isabella.pain@nunatsiavut.com>
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 4:26 PM
To: Gover, Aubrey
Cc: Bert Pomeroy; Michelle Kinney; White, Judy; Card, Jason
Subject: RE: NL Apology

We will need to have a conference number as I will not be in the same location as Michelle.

From: Gover, Aubrey [mailto:aubreygover@gov.nl.ca]
Sent: Thursday, December 07, 2017 7:37 AM
To: Isabella Pain <isabella.pain@nunatsiavut.com>
Cc: Bert Pomeroy <bert.pomeroy@nunatsiavut.com>; Michelle Kinney <michelle.kinney@nunatsiavut.com>; White, Judy <JudyWhite@gov.nl.ca>; Card, Jason <JasonCard@gov.nl.ca>
Subject: RE: NL Apology

Ok. Lets set it up for Tuesday at 10:30 AM your time, 10 AM here on the island, on Tuesday. You can call into 729-6493 if you only need one line in. Thanks.

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From: Isabella Pain [mailto:isabella.pain@nunatsiavut.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 06, 2017 8:26 PM
To: Gover, Aubrey
Cc: Bert Pomeroy; Michelle Kinney
Subject: RE: NL Apology

Hi Aubrey,

I am going to be on a plane at 510 tomorrow evening. I am in a meeting all day Friday but could try to take a few minutes for a call at 130 NL which would be a lunch break at my meeting. I would like to have Michelle on the call and I think she is off this week. I will check her availability. I have time on Monday and Tuesday of next week if this week does not work.

Isabella

From: Gover, Aubrey [mailto:aubreygover@gov.nl.ca]
Sent: Wednesday, December 06, 2017 3:11 PM
To: Isabella Pain <isabella.pain@nunatsiavut.com>
Cc: Bert Pomeroy <bert.pomeroy@nunatsiavut.com>; Michelle Kinney <michelle.kinney@nunatsiavut.com>
Subject: NL Apology
Importance: High

Isabella, I was wondering would it be possible to have a bilateral officials call between the NG and NL on the NL Apology regarding residential schools at 4:30 PM LB time (5 PM on the island) tomorrow or some time on Friday. The call would involve for NL, Jason Card from the Premier's Office, Judy White and me. We just wanted to have a general chat about NG expectations re this Apology in terms of content, location, timing, and ceremonial aspects of the Apology. Thanks.

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