November 16, 2016

Dear [Redacted] - s.40(1)

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 [Our File #: PRE/103/2016]

On October 18, 2016, the Premier’s Office received your request for access to the following records/information:

"All records and correspondence from all staff that relates to the protest at the confederation building on October 17th, 2016."

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 this information. In accordance with your request for a copy of the records, the appropriate copies have been enclosed.

Please be advised that 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. The appeal may be addressed to the Information and Privacy Commissioner 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: 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. It is the goal to have the responsive records posted to the Completed Access to Information Requests 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 further questions, please feel free to contact me by telephone at (709)729-3570 or by e-mail at joybuckle@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

Joy Buckle
ATIPP Coordinator

Enclosure
Cannizzaro, Michelle

From: Barfoot, Scott
Sent: Monday, October 17, 2016 8:25 AM
To: Guest, Kevin J; Foote, Carla; Caddell, Andrew; Cannizzaro, Michelle; Joyce, Luke; Quinton, Diana; Timmins, Emily
Subject: RE: Protest

Thanks.
Those approx. 15 individuals still in front of the building are chanting and banging on a drum.
SB

From: Guest, Kevin J
Sent: Monday, October 17, 2016 8:24 AM
To: Barfoot, Scott; Foote, Carla; Caddell, Andrew; Cannizzaro, Michelle; Joyce, Luke; Quinton, Diana; Timmins, Emily
Subject: Re: Protest

FYI - also now at the back entrance where most staff enter.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

From: Barfoot, Scott
Sent: Monday, October 17, 2016 8:05 AM
To: Foote, Carla; Caddell, Andrew; Cannizzaro, Michelle; Joyce, Luke; Quinton, Diana; Timmins, Emily; Guest, Kevin J
Subject: Protest

FYI – this morning’s protest in front of Confed is about 30-35 people. They are standing in a line across the steps. It appears to be a silent protest.

VO and NTV are here.

SB

Scott Barfoot
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Please find attached KMs re: Security Measures for Entering Confederation Building.

If you like I can provide this as a statement to the media, or just CBC as that was the only outlet that made an inquiry.

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Key Messages – Protest at Confederation Building
October 17, 2016

• Security measures were put in place as protesters entered Confederation Building.

• Protesting within Confederation Building at any time is not permitted as it poses a safety risk to employees and outside guests who enter the building.

• The Confederation Building was open to employees and individuals with official business at the buildings.

• Members of the media were still permitted to enter the building for regular business including any planned interviews with departments.

• The standard visitor process at Confederation Building includes:
  o Visitors are to present a valid ID and have to sign in and out when entering and exiting the building.
  o Visitors are to have an appointment with officials within a department and have an official with the department escort the person to the appointment.