

September 5, 2018



**Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* [Our File #: FIN-74-2018]**

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On August 6, 2018, the Department of Finance received your access to information request for the following:

“WRT FIN-66-2018, all sections excised from the original request.”

The Department is pleased to advise that access to the above request has been granted in part (see attached).

The Department’s response referenced in the above request (our file number FIN-66-2018) was developed to respond to the following:

“Any correspondence between the Federal government and the Department of Finance on the issue of equalization from December 2015 until present day”,

The specific exemptions from the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 (ATIPPA) applied to this response are still applicable (see response online at [http://atipp-search.gov.nl.ca/public/atipp/Search/?apply\\_table\\_filters=1&show\\_all=0&keyword=&request\\_number=FIN%2F66%2F2018&department=&from\\_date=&to\\_date](http://atipp-search.gov.nl.ca/public/atipp/Search/?apply_table_filters=1&show_all=0&keyword=&request_number=FIN%2F66%2F2018&department=&from_date=&to_date)). As such, the processing of your request focused on the information that was severed in FIN-66-2018 for reasons that included non-responsiveness.

The information severed in FIN/66/2018 for reasons of non-responsiveness was done because it either did not relate to equalization and/or was outside the timeline identified. In response to the above request, this information was reviewed again in consideration of the exemptions of ATIPPA. In review of this information, please note the following:

- Page numbers referenced below are reflective of the page numbers referenced in FIN/66/2018.

- Pages 4-12, 23-26, and 63-66 will remain severed. In addition to the exemption applied in the original response, it is reasonable to conclude that some of this information, while non-responsive in FIN/66/2018, if released could reasonably be expected to result in the premature disclosure of a proposal or project. As such, this information has been severed pursuant to section 35.(1)(d) of the ATIPPA.
- Pages 50, 57, and 60 are disclosed in part. It is reasonable to conclude that some of this information, while previously non-responsive, if released could reveal information received in confidence from a government, council or organization. As such this information has been severed pursuant to section 34.(1)(b) of ATIPPA.
- Pages 58, 59, 61 and 62 will remain severed. Again, while this information was non-responsive to the original request, it is reasonable to conclude that it should not be released as its release could harm intergovernmental relations and/or negotiations with the Government of Canada and/or a province. As such, this information has been severed pursuant to section 34.(1)(b) of the ATIPPA.
- Pages 124, 127, 277, and 288, will remain severed. Again, while this information was non-responsive to the original request, it is reasonable to conclude that it should not be released now because of one or more of the following:
  - Its release could harm intergovernmental relations and/or negotiations with the Government of Canada and/or a province.
  - The information is advice, analyses, policy options or recommendations developed by or for the Department of Finance and/or the Minister.
  - Its release could prejudice or harm the financial or economic interests of the government of this province.
 As such, this information has been severed pursuant to sections 29.(1)(a), 34.(1)(a)(i), 34.(1)(b), 35.(1)(g) and 35.(1)(h) of the ATIPPA.
- Pages 278 and 307 are disclosed in full.
- Page 304 is disclosed in part. Again, while this information was non-responsive to the original request, it is reasonable to conclude that it should not be released now because of one or more of the following:
  - Its release could harm intergovernmental relations and/or negotiations with the Government of Canada and/or a province.
  - The information is advice, analyses, policy options or recommendations developed by or for the Department of Finance and/or the Minister.
  - Its release could prejudice or harm the financial or economic interests of the government of this province.
  - Its released could be expected to result in the premature disclosure of a proposal or project.
 As such, this information has been severed pursuant to sections 29.(1)(a), 34.(1)(a)(i), 34.(1)(b), 35.(1)(g), 35.(1)(d), and 35.(1)(h) of the ATIPPA.
- Further details regarding these exemptions is available to be viewed at the following website: <http://www.assembly.nl.ca/legislation/sr/statutes/a01-2.htm>

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 address and contact information of 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.

The response will be published following a 72-hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where the response is mailed to you. It is the goal to have the response 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 the undersigned by telephone at 709-729-2082, or by email at [bethbartlett@gov.nl.ca](mailto:bethbartlett@gov.nl.ca).

Sincerely,



Beth Bartlett, CIAPP-C  
ATIPP Coordinator

Attachment

Date : 4/19/2018 11:47:57 AM

From : "Norman, Wally"

To : "Haynes, Dale"

Subject :

Attachment : image001.png;

34.(1)(b)

From: Doran, Marcie (FIN) [mailto:marcie.doran@canada.ca]

Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2018 11:43 AM

To: Norman, Wally

Subject:

34.(1)(b)

Thanks Wally

From: Norman, Wally <wnorman@gov.nl.ca>

Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2018 10:12 AM

To: Doran, Marcie (FIN) <marcie.doran@canada.ca>

Subject:

34.(1)(b)

Marcie, I connected with that IM/IT Client Services, but they told me that they do not support MSFT technical issues. He suggested that I try to contact [SoutienSFT-SFTSupport@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:SoutienSFT-SFTSupport@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca).

Wally

From: Doran, Marcie (FIN) [mailto:marcie.doran@canada.ca]

Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2018 10:56 AM

To: Norman, Wally

Subject:

34.(1)(b)

From: Norman, Wally <wnorman@gov.nl.ca>

Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2018 9:15 AM

To: Doran, Marcie (FIN) <marcie.doran@canada.ca>

Subject:

34.(1)(b)

I do realize it's not the FTP site. What I was wondering was what folder in the MSFT site are the files located. I am in my office again, thanks.

From: Doran, Marcie (FIN) [mailto:marcie.doran@canada.ca]

Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2018 10:43 AM

To: Norman, Wally

Subject:

34.(1)(b)

Hi Wally,

I just tried to call you. It is not the FTP site, it is the MSFT.

The following people in NL have access.

Amanda Hannaford	NL	AmandaHannaford@gov.nl.ca
Charles Tucker	NL	CharlesWTucker@gov.nl.ca
Thomas Skinner	NL	thomasskinner@gov.nl.ca
Dale Haynes	NL	DaleHaynes@gov.nl.ca
Norman Walter	NL	WNorman@gov.nl.ca

The MSFT is supported by the Government of Canada. That means, someone will be able to assist you from the technical side.

Here are the contact details:

IM/IT Client Services | Service à la clientèle en GI/TI  
 Information Management and Technology Directorate | Direction générale de la gestion d'information et de la technologie  
 Corporate Services Branch | Direction des services ministériels  
 Department of Finance | Ministère des Finances  
 Ottawa, Canada K1A 0G5  
[ITServiceTI@fin.gc.ca](mailto:ITServiceTI@fin.gc.ca)

**Date :** 4/19/2018 11:24:10 AM  
**From :** "Norman, Wally"  
**To :** "'Jean-Pierre, Martin (FIN)'"  
**Subject :** RE: Three files  
**Attachment :** image001.jpg;

Sure. My number is 709-729-2907.

And the person in Federal Finance who I was talking to was:

Marcie Doran

Federal-Provincial Relations Division | Division des relations fédérales-provinciales

Federal-Provincial Relations and Social Policy Branch | Direction des relations fédérales-provinciales et de la politique sociale

Department of Finance Canada | Ministère des Finances Canada

90 Elgin Street – office #15017 | 90, rue Elgin – bureau #15017

Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1A 0G5

Telephone | Téléphone 613-369-4119

[Marcie.Doran@canada.ca](mailto:Marcie.Doran@canada.ca)

Thanks for your help.

Wally

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**From:** Jean-Pierre, Martin (FIN) [mailto:martin.jean-pierre@canada.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 11:22 AM  
**To:** Norman, Wally  
**Subject:** RE: Three files

Thank you Wally,

Can you confirm your telephone number in case you are needed to be contacted?

Thank you,

Martin,

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**From:** Norman, Wally [mailto:wnorman@gov.nl.ca]

**Sent:** April-19-18 9:46 AM

**To:** Jean-Pierre, Martin (FIN) <martin.jean-pierre@canada.ca>

**Subject:** Three files

34.(1)(b)



and as promised here is a screen shot from my computer for you to consider:

**Date :** 4/19/2018 11:33:29 AM  
**From :** "Norman, Wally"  
**To :** "'Jean-Pierre, Martin (FIN)'"  
**Subject :** RE: Three files  
**Attachment :** image001.jpg;

OK thanks very much. Will do.

Wally

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**From:** Jean-Pierre, Martin (FIN) [mailto:martin.jean-pierre@canada.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 11:32 AM  
**To:** Norman, Wally  
**Subject:** RE: Three files

Hello Wally,

After speaking to my Team Lead, he informed me that we do not support MSFT technical issue, only myKEY related issue.

You can contact the MSFT support team to address the issue. Please forward the email to the following email address:

[SoutienSFT-SFTSupport@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:SoutienSFT-SFTSupport@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)

Regards,  
 Martin,

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**From:** Norman, Wally [mailto:wnorman@gov.nl.ca]  
**Sent:** April-19-18 9:54 AM  
**To:** Jean-Pierre, Martin (FIN) <martin.jean-pierre@canada.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: Three files

Sure. My number is 709-729-2907.

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[Marcie.Doran@canada.ca](mailto:Marcie.Doran@canada.ca)

Thanks for your help.

Wally

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**Subject:** Three files

and as promised here is a screen shot from my computer for you to consider:

34.(1)(b)

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**From:** Butt, Chris  
**Sent:** Friday, April 29, 2016 4:25 PM  
**To:** Dutton, Sean; Martin, Craig  
**Cc:** Clarke, Greg  
**Subject:** RE: EQ paper.

Final attached.

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**From:** Dutton, Sean  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 27, 2016 8:09 PM  
**To:** Butt, Chris; Martin, Craig  
**Subject:** Re: EQ paper.

Any update on the EQ paper?

Sean

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

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Date : 1/19/2016 2:22:51 PM

From : "Martin, Craig"

To : "Butt, Chris"

Cc : "Brewer, Donna"

34.(1)(a)(i), 34.(1)(b), 35.(1)(g), 35.(1)(h)

Subject : FW: Mandate letter to Finance ministers / Lettre de mandat aux ministres des Finances

Chris,

40.(1)

Thanks

35.(1)(d), 29.(1)(a)

Craig

From: Dutton, Sean

Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2016 2:11 PM

To: Brewer, Donna

Cc: Martin, Craig

Subject: FW: Mandate letter to Finance ministers / Lettre de mandat aux ministres des Finances

35.(1)(d), 29.(1)(a)

Sean

From: Loretta O'Connor [<mailto:loretta@canadaspremiers.ca>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 12:35 PM

To: Andrea Buckley; Catherine Blewett; Gitane De Silva; 'Jim Eldridge'; Judy Wagner; Kent Campbell; Lynn Betzner; Martin Goldney; Paul Ledwell; 'Pierrette Maranda'; Dutton, Sean; William MacKay; 'Yves Castonguay'

Cc: Alicia Farrow; Angela Sale-Roche; 'Angèle Deschamps'; Athana Mentzelopoulos; Audrey MacPhail; 'Betty Miller'; Bailey, Bev; 'Claire Paradis'; Donna Cormier; Emily Tutanuak; 'Jacquie Hayward'; Janel Fisher; 'Karen Mazurak'; 'Kelly Brubacher'; Lianna Olson; Lisa Elliott; 'Lisa Legere-Melanson'; Marie-Claude Alarie; Sarah Camsell; Shelly Murphy; Shirley Kwan; Sveah Hourston; Tanya Tinkler

Subject: Mandate letter to Finance ministers / Lettre de mandat aux ministres des Finances

On behalf of NL, attached is the signed version of the COF mandate letter to Finance ministers.

De la part de TNL, veuillez trouver ci-joint la version signée de la lettre de mandat aux ministres des Finances.

Loretta O'Connor

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### **Providing services for an aging population**

ST. JOHN'S, July 16, 2015 – Canada's population is growing older. The number of Canadians aged 65 and older is expected to double to reach a record number of 10 million within the next 25 years.

Population aging is having major impacts on provincial and territorial governments in a host of fields such as health care, employment, housing, social services, transportation and infrastructure.

Although each province and territory is unique, many of the challenges they face are similar. For example:

- increased overall costs for health care and social services, including increased need for home care, palliative care and support for informal caregivers;
- impacts on productivity resulting from a slowdown and/or decline in the labour pool;
- increased need for social housing adapted to the needs of the elderly and better access to programs for seniors who want to live in their own homes longer;
- increased need for transportation alternatives, such as public transit and adapted transport;
- responding to the needs of seniors in rural or northern regions, who don't have access to the same services offered in urban centres.

Premiers discussed the impacts on public policy and the growing financial pressures population aging will have on their governments, particularly regarding health care. These financial pressures reinforce the need for the federal government to increase its funding for health care.

### ***Health care fiscal arrangements***

Premiers urge the federal government to commit to increase the envelope of the Canada Health Transfer so its share of health care costs represents a minimum of 25 per cent of all health care spending by provinces and territories. This increase would help support investments in innovation and transformation of health care systems, with the objective of improving outcomes from the patient's perspective.

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