March 1, 2019

Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 [Our File #: AESL/010/2019]

On February 18, 2019 the Department of Advanced Education, Skills and Labour received your request for access to the following records/information:

“Emails from the Minister and staff to MUN staff regarding the establishment of a law school at MUN. Time period: December 2015 to present.”

Per my February 18, 2019 acknowledgement letter, you were advised we would conduct a search of the Director of Literacy and Institutional Services, Assistant Deputy Minister of Post-Secondary Education, Assistant Deputy Minister of Corporate Services and Policy, Deputy Minister and Minister. This search has been completed.

I am pleased to inform you that your request for access to this information has been granted in part and the responsive records are attached. 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, 2015 (the act):

Section 40. (1) The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose personal information to an applicant where the disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party’s personal privacy.

As required by subsection 8.(2) of the act, we have severed information that is excepted from disclosure and have provided you with as much information as possible.

The Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act requires us to provide an advisory response within 10 days of receiving the request. As this request has been completed prior to day 10, this letter also serves as our Advisory Response.

Section 42 of the act provides that you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this partial refusal of access or you may appeal the refusal to the Supreme Court Trial Division. A request to the Information and Privacy Commissioner shall 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
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

In the event you wish to appeal to the Supreme Court, you must do so within 15 business days of the date of this letter. Section 52 of the act sets out the process to be followed when filing such an appeal.

Please be advised that responsive records will be published following a 72 hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the responsive records posted to the Completed Access to Information requests website within one day following the applicable period of time.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (709) 729-4276 or SharonSeaward@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

SHARON SEAWARD
ATIPP Coordinator

Attachment
Hi Candice,

I am sure you are on the Senate mailing list but just wanted to say I am excited that the proposal for a Law Faculty at Memorial is going before Senate this month. The Registrar had a call from Scott last week about it, and specifically whether this was a vote or not. It will, indeed, be put forward as a vote. A presentation on the concept had tacit, if not formal, endorsement from Senate two years ago.

If you have any questions just give me a shout.

Cheers,

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Good Morning,
For the Senate Agenda for November 13, 2018, documentation for Item 8.A.(ii) Post-Secondary Education Review – Letter from Planning and Budget Committee has been added. A copy is also attached.

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