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December 7, 2009

Mr. Gary Norris
Clerk of the Executive Council
Cabinet Secretariat
9th Floor, East Block

Dear Mr. Norris:

I am writing to bring to your attention certain e-mails from the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate.

As these e-mails may raise concerns regarding compliance with confidentiality in that Office, I felt you should be aware of their content.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William MacKenzie".

William MacKenzie
Clerk of the House of Assembly

Lambe, Marlene M.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2009 3:31 PM
To: Prior, Shirley
Subject: RE: Transitioning Report

Thanks Shirley.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: Prior, Shirley [mailto:sprior@childandadothadvocate.nf.ca]
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2009 1:49 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Transitioning Report

Hi [REDACTED]

I have made some changes to the Executive Summary – not sure if this is all of them as Darlene took the marked-up copy with her when she left. Anyways, this is now the most current version. Good luck!

Shirley

Shirley Prior
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Lambe, Marlene M.

From: Prior, Shirley
Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2009 8:21 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: latest version of discussion of findings and recommendations

Ooops ... didn't see the earlier email. Sorry about that. Got it.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2009 7:41 AM
To: Neville, Darlene; Prior, Shirley
Subject: Re: latest version of discussion of findings and recommendations

PS. Ignore the typos- I will fix when I review the file later tonight.

[REDACTED]

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]; Darlene Neville <dneville@childand youthadvocate.nl.ca>; 'Prior, Shirley' <sprior@childand youthadvocate.nl.ca>
Sent: Mon May 04 23:50:22 2009
Subject: RE: latest version of discussion of findings and recommendations
Darlene,

Well here it is. Please start reviewing this section for content. In particular:

- o look at the qualitative section of your main report to see if you want to add more balance or comment from that section into this chapter. For example, you may want to single out the Aboriginal Issue in Labrador for a table of its own;
- o compare my list of findings and recommendations with the original list to be sure we have not missed any. I tried to keep track of it but a second/third set of eyes is a good thing
- o social workers had concerns about the amount and type of documentation required and suggested that more documentation requirements would further strain their resources - do you want to address that in your closing comments - Chapter ???

Also you need to add a comment in the top section of the tables on Social Workers and on Care givers - some background around agreed upon standard ratios of caregivers and social workers per child/youth in care if you have them would be nice for example.

While you are doing this I will take one more night to add in the percentages in the body of the report and fix a few minor edits and then it is back to you and Shirley to shine it up and get it out.

[REDACTED]

11/16/2009

Lambe, Marlene M.

From: Prior, Shirley
Sent: Tuesday, May 05, 2009 8:16 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: latest version of discussion of findings and recommendations

Hi [REDACTED]

Got your email but there is no attachment.

Shirley

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[REDACTED]

11/16/2009

Lambe, Marlene M.

From: Prior, Shirley
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2009 3:43 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: OCYA Report Lost in Transition: A Review of the Transitioning of Children and Youth In Care

Hi [REDACTED]

You're quite welcome and thank you.

Darlene asked me to let you know that the Mental Health Investigation is ongoing. We are in the witness interview phase of the Investigation now and that will continue through the summer and into September. If you wanted to report that, that's OK but there's really nothing more that she can say at this time.

Shirley

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@CBC.CA]
Sent: Tuesday, June 02, 2009 5:05 PM
To: Prior, Shirley
Subject: Re: OCYA Report Lost in Transition: A Review of the Transitioning of Children and Youth In Care

Thanks for all your help with this story!
Darlene was great and informative this morning.

I'm still interested in speaking with Ms. Neville about the mental health survey.
Maybe we can do that next week?

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Reporter CBC News
[REDACTED]

>>> "Prior, Shirley" <sprior@childandyouthadvocate.nl.ca> 01/06/2009
>>> 3:51 pm >>>

As promised, attached is the Report and Press Release which will be released tomorrow morning. The Report will be available on our website tomorrow morning at 7:30.

As we discussed, it is imperative that the information contained in the Report and Press Release be shared with no one until tomorrow morning after 7:30 Newfoundland time.

Darlene is expecting your call at 7:45 Newfoundland time.

Thanks.

Shirley Prior

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Lambe, Marlene M.

From: Neville, Darlene
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2009 2:24 PM
To: Prior, Shirley
Subject: RE: Interview with Darlene Neville

Thanks

Darlene Neville
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From: Prior, Shirley
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2009 11:03 AM
To: Neville, Darlene
Subject: FW: Interview with Darlene Neville

FYI ...

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From: [REDACTED]@ntv.ca [mailto:[REDACTED]@ntv.ca]
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2009 9:59 AM
To: Prior, Shirley
Subject: Re: Interview with Darlene Neville

Thanks Shirley,
[REDACTED]

Sent from my BlackBerry® wireless device

From: "Prior, Shirley"
Date: Fri, 29 May 2009 09:50:37 -0230
To: [REDACTED]@ntv.ca
Subject: Interview with Darlene Neville
[REDACTED]

Further to our telephone conversation this morning, this email will confirm your interview with Darlene Neville, Child and Youth Advocate, at 2:30 on Tuesday, June 2nd here in our Office – 193 LeMarchant Road – regarding the release of the Report *Lost In Transition: A Review of the Transitioning of Children and Youth In Care*. The Report is being publicly released on Tuesday, June 2nd and will be available on-line Tuesday morning. As discussed, if you need some set up time, feel free to arrive earlier and I can provide you access to her office to do that.

I will drop off a hard copy of the report first thing Tuesday morning to Mr. Bent's attention. If you need anything further, don't hesitate to contact me.

11/16/2009

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