Volume I

# **VOLUME I**

Some of the attached emails refer to a parallel policy process initially intended to develop bright-line demonstrations of Senators' residency for constitutional qualification purposes. The Prime Minister did not agree with this initiative, as he viewed the matter to be long-settled historically as requiring ownership of a residence in the province of appointment, so the process was shut down within a few days. While that policy process is not relevant to the issues being examined, for convenience and ease of reading generally the portions of emails dealing with this process were left in when the emails were produced to the Conflict of Interest and Ethics Commissioner. The redactions at tabs I-21 and I-22 and the omission of the attachment at tab I-19 are consistent with production to the Commissioner.

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I-4.	Email thread ending Feb. 7, 6:57 p.m.  Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy Statement
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I-6.	Email thread ending Feb. 7, 11:22 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Before you issue news release
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I-9.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 4:21 p.m. Last From: mdduffy@aol.com	FW: SENATE: Letter from Senate Leadership to CIBA
I-10.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 5:23 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duff at 613-254-8411

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I-12.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 8:38 p.m. Last From: mdduffy@aol.com	Re: My lawyer writes
I-13.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 8:41 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: My lawyer writes
I-14.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 9:00 p.m. Last From: Rogers, Patrick	Re: Senate - Residency and Expenses
I-15.	Email thread ending Feb. 13, 1:21 a.m. Last From: Duffy, Michael	Re: Update?
I-16.	Email thread ending Feb. 14, 21:04 [9:04 p.m.]. Last From Nigel Wright	Re: Rubber Chicken - 2011 will be higher
I-17.	Email thread ending Feb. 15, 18:35 [6:35 p.m.]. Last From Nigel Wright	Re: PEI Residency Ruling
I-18.	Email threading ending Feb. 15, 7:10 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Senator Duffy
I-19.	Email thread ending Feb. 18, 5:33 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel [attachment excluded as not relevant]	RE: Residency
I-20.	Email thread ending Feb. 19, 6:01 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: the Guardian SmartEdition
I-21.	Email thread ending Feb. 19, 1:19 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel [redacted]	RE: Return on Senate Residency note
I-22.	Email thread ending Feb. 19, 1:21 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel [redacted]	RE: Return on Senate Residency note
I-23.	Email, Feb. 19, 4:27 p.m. From: Wright, Nigel	pls schedule a call w Sen. Duffy, thx
I-24.	Email thread ending Feb. 20, 2:45 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Senator Michael Duffy
I-25.	Second email thread ending Feb. 20, 2:45 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	FW: Your fax number pls. Mike

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I-26.	Email thread ending Feb. 20, 3:27 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy Scenario
I-27.	Email thread ending Feb. 20, 3:39 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy
I-28.	Email thread ending Feb. 20, 7:37 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy Scenario
I-29.	Email thread ending Feb. 21, 12:17 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Sen. Duffy
I-30.	Email thread ending Feb. 21, 12:50 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Sen. Duffy
I-31.	Email thread ending Feb. 21, 7:18 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Revised Duffy Statement
I-32.	Email thread ending Feb. 21, 8:32 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Revised Duffy Statement
I-33.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 8:12 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Senator Duffy
I-34.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 12:45 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	FW: Senator Duffy
I-35.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 1:04 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Senator Duffy
I-36.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 2:10 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Senator Duffy
I-37.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 2:14 p.m. Last From: van Hemmen, David	RE: Senator Duffy
I-38.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 3:15 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-39.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 3:16 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-40.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 3:27 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy

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I-41.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 3:42 p,m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-42.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 5:44 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy Transcript
I-43.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 6:04 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	FW: 'I made a mistake' claiming housing allowance, says embattled senator Duffy
I-44.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 7:01 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Hard copy will be faxed monday. Letter to sen tkachuk
I-45.	Email thread ending Feb. 26, 11:53 a.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	RE: Today's target - for Fife too
I-46.	Email thread ending Feb. 26, 12:52 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy
I-47.	Email thread ending Feb. 26, 21:16 [9:16 p.m.]. Last From Nigel Wright	Re: Deal
I-48.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 11:36 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Letter to Duffy
I-49.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 3:44 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	RE: Senator Duffy
I-50.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 5:49 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-51.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 5:58 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-52.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 8:18 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Revised Audit Subcommittee report - Primary and Secondary Recommendations3.docx
I-53.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 9:56 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Revised Audit Subcommittee report - Primary and Secondary Recommendations3.docx
I-54.	Email thread ending Feb. 28, 9:55 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: QP Closed Captioning Transcript - 2013- 02-27
I-55.	Email thread ending Mar. 1, 6:43 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	FW: Re Senate Report

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I-56.	Email thread ending Mar. 1, 7:25 a.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	RE: Re Senate Report
I-57.	Email thread ending Mar. 1, 2:18 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-58.	Email thread ending Mar. 6, 11:31 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please
I-59.	Email thread ending Mar. 6, 11:41 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: next steps
I-60.	Email thread ending Mar. 6, 9:44 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Senator Duffy - request for input please
I-61.	Email thread ending Mar. 8, 11:29 [a.m.]. Last From Nigel Wright	Re: Sen. Wallin
I-62.	Email thread ending Mar. 8, 3:26 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy
I-63.	Email thread ending Mar. 14, 8:37 a.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	Fw: Senator Duffy
I-64.	Email thread ending Mar. 20, 7:40 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Senator Duffy
I-65.	Email thread ending Mar. 21, 1:45 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	FW: Senator Duffy - request for input please
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II-1.	Email thread ending Mar. 22, 10:19 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Call with Nigel Wright and Ben Perrin
II-2.	Email thread ending Mar. 22, 2:21 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: letter
II-3.	Email thread ending Mar. 22, 3:54 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	RE: Draft letter: repayment of housing allowances

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II-4.	Email thread ending Mar. 23, 1:20 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	FW: Follow-up
II-5.	Email thread ending Mar. 24, 7:52 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Senator Duffy
II-6.	Email thread ending Mar. 25, 1:00 p.m. Last From: Rogers, Patrick	RE: Senator Duffy
II-7.	Email thread ending Mar. 25, 2:06 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	RE: Senator Duffy
II-8.	Email thread ending Mar. 25, 2:26 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Senator Duffy
II-9.	Email thread ending Mar. 25, 3:09 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Senator Duffy
II-10.	Email thread ending Mar. 25, 3:43 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Senator Duffy
II-11.	Email thread ending Mar. 25, 3:45 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	FW: Senator Duffy
II-12.	Email thread ending Mar. 25, 3:46 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	RE: Senator Duffy
II-13.	Email thread ending Mar. 26, 12:09 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	FW: Senator Michael Duffy
II-14.	Email thread ending Mar. 26, 6:09 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy
II-15.	Email thread ending Apr. 17, 10:32 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Fw: Global National
II-16.	Email thread ending Apr. 18, 7:13 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back
II-17.	Email thread ending Apr. 18, 7:28 p.m. Last From: Rogers, Patrick	Re: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back
II-18.	Email thread ending Apr. 18, 20:02 [8:02 p.m.] Last From: Nigel Wright	Fwd: Things

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II-19.	Email thread ending Apr. 18, 8:24 p.m. Last From: LeBreton, Marjory	Re: Interview Request - The West Block with Tom Clark
II-20.	Email thread ending Apr. 19, 10:19. Last From Nigel Wright	Fwd: Jordan Press called my office again today going to write MD is a liar
II-21.	Email thread ending Apr. 19, 11:51 a.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Jordan Press called my office again today going to write MD is a liar
II-22.	Email thread ending Apr. 19, 5:14 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Urgent - Duffy
II-23.	Email thread ending Apr. 22, 3:30 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy
II-24.	Email thread ending Apr. 23, 5:43 p.m. Last From: Montgomery, Christopher	RE: Confidential. Tkachuk/Duffy
II-25.	Email thread ending Apr. 23, 6:23 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Confidential. Tkachuk/Duffy
II-26.	Email thread ending Apr. 30, 06:36 [6:36 a.m.] Last From: Nigel Wright	Fwd: Follow up
II-27.	Email thread ending May 2, 07:54 [7:54 a.m.] Last From: Goldy Hyder	Re: Draft Statement
II-28.	Email thread ending May 2, 2:46 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Audit
II-29.	Email thread ending May 3, 02:42 [2:42 a.m.] Last From: Goldy Hyder	RE: Follow up
II-30.	Email thread ending May 3, 11:44 [11:44 a.m.] Last From: Nigel Wright	Re: Follow up
II-31.	Email thread ending May 8, 1:58 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Report on Duffy
II-32.	Email thread ending May 8, 2:37 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Meeting
II-33.	Email thread ending May 8, 3:04 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Meeting

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II-34.	Email thread ending May 8, 3:42 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE:
II-35.	Email thread ending May 8, 7:11 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?
II-36.	Email thread ending May 8, 8:44 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	RE: Duffy Statement
II-37.	Email thread ending May 9, 6:00 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Any sign of products for tomorrow?
II-38.	Email thread ending May 9, 6:00 a.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	FW: Notes from Thursday BOIE FYI
II-39.	Email thread ending May 9, 11:16 a.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	RE: Duffy
II-40.	Email, May 14, 22:52 [10:52 p.m.] From: chriswoodcock1@gmail.com	(no subject)
II-41.	Schedule for Feb. 11 [redacted]	n.a.
II-42.	Schedule for Feb. 12 [redacted]	n.a.
II-43.	Schedule for Feb. 13 [redacted]	n.a.
II-44.	Schedule for Feb. 19 [redacted]	n.a.
II-45.	Schedule for Feb. 21 [redacted]	n.a.
II-46.	Schedule for Mar. 22 [redacted]	n.a.
II-47.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 6, 2013	n.a.
II-48.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 7, 2013	n.a.
II-49.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 11, 2013	n.a.
II-50.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 12, 2013	n.a.
II-51.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 13, 2013	n.a.
II-52.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 19, 2013	n.a.
II-53.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 20, 2013	n.a.

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II-56.	Journal excerpt from Mar. 22, 2013	n.a.
II-57.	Journal excerpt from Apr. 29, 2013	n.a.
II-58.	Journal excerpt from May 7, 2013	n.a.
II-59.	Letter from Hon. David Tkachuk to Janice Payne dated Feb. 14, 2013	Re: The Honourable Senator Michael Duffy Your File No. 16138-2

m: ht: Wright, Nigel

February 6, 2013 7:31 PM

Woodcock, Chris; McNamara, Joanne; Novak, Ray; MacDougall, Andrew

Subject:

RE: Duffy Statement

Agree. But let this small group be under no illusion. I think that this is going to end badly. That is what Sen. Tkachuk strongly implies. I will try to understand the facts, but David is not an alarmist and is not a poor manager of this process.

----Original Message----

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: February 6, 2013 6:30 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; McNamara, Joanne; Novak, Ray; MacDougall, Andrew

Subject: Duffy Statement

Senator Duffy is going to issue the following statement. Senator LeBreton asked him to put something out in response to the stories. I've given the text my ok.

"As a long-time Prince Edward Islander, I am proud to represent my province and its interests in the Senate of Canada. I also represent taxpayers with care. I have a home in Prince Edward Island and I have provided the Senate Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration with documentation demonstrating that I am a resident. I look forward to the Committee completing its Senate-wide review."

From: Wrig

Wright, Nigel

Sent:

February 7, 2013 6:40 PM

To:

Novak, Ray, Woodcock, Chris; MacDougall, Andrew; McNamara, Joanne

Subject: RE: Duffy

My own view is that one would interpret the constitutional requirement through a purposive approach. Its purpose was to ensure that Senators would represent the provinces from which they were appointed. I believe that Mike's ownership of property there, time spent there, and engagement with the political life of the province would likely meet the constitutional test. As regards Senate expenses, the concept of a primary residence implies the existence of at least one other residence. So Mike could be primarily resident in the NCR for expense rules and still constitutionally resident in PEI. That leaves the very big problem of his having collected \$900 per month. The only plausible ways out of that are that (i) it was wrong and he has to be disciplined and/or repay, or (ii) there was ambiguity so it will be clarified and he will not claim the amount going forward. Marjory assures me that no other CPC Senator claims the \$900 per month in similar circumstances. Mike said that no one ever told him he shouldn't be doing it.

From: Novak, Ray

Sent: February 7, 2013 5:53 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; MacDougall, Andrew; McNamara, Joanne

Subject: Re: Duffy

Thanks, this is very helpful context.

I'm hoping Sen. Tkachuk and the others have some sense of what the legal advice may be regarding residency. Seems incredible this has not been an issue until now.

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent**: Thursday, February 07, 2013 05:47 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Woodcock, Chris; MacDougall, Andrew; Novak, Ray; McNamara, Joanne

Subject: RE: Duffy

Spent the last hour on various phone calls with Mike, David Tkachuk, and Marjory.

David still needs to work it out, so it is only at a 90% certainty level, but what will likely happen is that at 9:10 Friday the release will go out stating that the Harb, Brazeau, and Duffy expense cases are being referred to an external auditor. Concurrently, a separate release would go out stating something like "with respect to Sen. Duffy, the Chair / Committee has requested external legal advice on the meaning of the terms resident and primary residence."

The purpose of this is to put Mike in a different bucket and to prevent him from going squirrelly on a bunch of weekend panel shows. Ray, Mike is very pleased with this, so it will give us a bit of time if David can pull it off. David is making his calls now to the Senate Clerk and the other two committee members, but I think he will get it done. Marjory is fully on board.

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: February 7, 2013 4:00 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; MacDougall, Andrew; Novak, Ray; McNamara, Joanne

**Subject:** FW: Duffy

Incoming.

From: Montgomery, Christopher [mailto:montgc@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

**Sent:** February 7, 2013 3:59 PM **To:** Woodcock, Chris; Moreau, Remi

Cc: Quinney, Johanna

Subject: Duffy

The Steering Committee of Internal Economy has taken the decision to lump Duffy's residency claim in with those of Harb and Brazeau for auditing. This will be indicated by media release before the day is out.

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From:

Wright, Nigel

Sent:

February 7, 2013 6:47 PM

To:

Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris; McNamara, Joanne

Subject: FW: Duffy Statement

Apparently David Tkachuk has this worked out.

From: LeBreton, Marjory [mailto:LEBREM@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: February 7, 2013 6:33 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Montgomery, Christopher

Cc: Melo, Sandy

Subject: Re: Duffy Statement

I agree with Nigel's comments. I think this will get us to where we want to go. Marjory

From: Wright, Nigel [mailto:Nigel.Wright@pmo-cpm.gc.ca]

Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 06:30 PM To: Montgomery, Christopher; LeBreton, Marjory

Cc: Melo, Sandy

Subject: RE: Duffy Statement

This works.

I think they could say "...independent legal advice regarding the definitions of 'resident' and 'primary residence" or something like that to describe the advice that is being sought. The critical thing is that it have a reference to "with respect to Senator Duffy" in it. Mike is pleased that he is being differentiated in some way. I think it buys a bit of time.

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Sent: February 7, 2013 6:27 PM To: Wright, Nigel; LeBreton, Marjory

Cc: Melo, Sandy

**Subject:** Duffy Statement

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They will use the language agreed simply replace "steering committee" with "chair and deputy chair of the committee."

Tkachuk boards his flight in 30 minutes and has asked me to let him know before then if you have any problems with this.

Chris Montgomery

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From:

Wright, Nigel

Sent:

February 7, 2013 6:57 PM

To:

'Montgomery, Christopher'; LeBreton, Marjory

Cc:

Melo, Sandy

Subject: RE: Duffy Statement

Roger.

From: Montgomery, Christopher [mailto:montgc@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

**Sent:** February 7, 2013 6:32 PM To: Wright, Nigel; LeBreton, Marjory

Cc: Melo, Sandy

Subject: RE: Duffy Statement

Thank you both.

Yes, it is understood that the reference will be to legal advice with respect to residency and that it is with respect to Duffy only.

Chris Montgomery

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Cc: Melo, Sandy

**Subject:** RE: Duffy Statement

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## Re: Fwd: Depending on what u say in your release ...

message

Nigel Wright <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>

To: "Woodcock, Chris" < Chris. Woodcock@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>

7 February 2013 21:24

Thanks Chris. I'm not going to help Mike draft it!!

On 7 February 2013 21:22, Woodcock, Chris < Chris. Woodcock@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:

Thanks. Note there's a word missing here ("any" or "the"):

"and will vigorously defend against suggestion"

**From**: Nigel Wright [mailto:nigel.s.wright@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 09:19 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Vaux, Julie; MacDougall, Andrew

Cc: Novak, Ray; McNamara, Joanne

Subject: Fwd: Depending on what u say in your release ...

FYI. This is manageable.

---- Forwarded message -----

From: <MDDuffy@aol.com> Date: 7 February 2013 21:15

Subject: Depending on what u say in your release ...

To: tkachd@sen.parl.gc.ca

8 Feb. 2013

Statement by Hon. Mike Duffy, Senator Cavendish PEI

"As a Prince Edward Islander, born and bred, I am proud to represent my province and its interests in the Senate of Canada.

I represent taxpayers with care, and Canadians know I would never do anything to betray the public trust. I have a home in Prince Edward Island as required by law. I have retained legal counsel, and will vigorously defend against suggestion that I am not qualified to be a PEI Senator. I will have no further comment until this review is complete."

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The relevant legal reference is attached.

Electoral Divisions of Lower Canada specified in Schedule A. to Chapter One of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada. (12)

Marginal note: Qualifications of Senator

- 23. The Qualifications of a Senator shall be as follows:
- (1) He shall be of the full age of Thirty Years;
- (2) He shall be either a natural-born Subject of the Queen, or a Subject of the Queen naturalized by an Act of the Parliament of Great Britain, or of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or of the Legislature of One of the Provinces of Upper Canada, Lower Canada, Canada, Nova Scotia, or New Brunswick, before the Union, or of the Parliament of Canada after the Union;
- (3) He shall be legally or equitably seised as of Freehold for his own Use and Benefit of Lands or Tenements held in Free and Common Socage, or seised or possessed for his own Use and Benefit of Lands or Tenements held in Franc-alleu or in Roture, within the Province for which he is appointed, of the Value of Four thousand Dollars, over and above all Rents, Dues, Debts, Charges, Mortgages, and Incumbrances due or payable out of or charged on or affecting the same;
- (4) His Real and Personal Property shall be together worth Four thousand Dollars over and above his Debts and Liabilities;
- (5) He shall be resident in the Province for which he is appointed;
- (6) In the Case of Quebec he shall have his Real Property Qualification in the Electoral Division for which he is appointed, or shall be resident in that Division. (13)

From:

Wright, Nigel

Sent:

February 7, 2013 11:22 PM

To:

Novak, Ray

Subject: Re: Before you issue news release ...

Yes .

From: Novak, Ray

Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 11:16 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel

Subject: Fw: Before you issue news release ...

I presume you are getting these also...

From: MDDuffy@aol.com [mailto:MDDuffy@aol.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2013 11:13 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: tkachd@sen.parl.gc.ca <tkachd@sen.parl.gc.ca>; 5.carolynso@gmail.com

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Subject: Before you issue news release ...

#### 7 Feb 2013

## David:

After speaking to my lawyer, I now understand that the issue in question is not whether I own property in PEI; but rather whether my principal residence is there, thus entitling me to expenses for my home in Kanata.

If this is indeed the issue, then this is the first time a concern has been raised with me by anyone. I have been claiming these expenses routinely, as I was told I could do at the time of my swearing-in in 2009.

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Can we discuss this matter before you issue any media release naming me, as I believe we can resolve this expense issue

without the need of an audit.

Sincerely,

Mike

613-254-8411

From: McNamara, Joanne

Sent: February 11, 2013 2:00 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Senate - Residency and Expenses

I can give Sandy a call too.

From: Rogers, Patrick

**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2013 01:58 PM Eastern Standard Time **To:** Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; McNamara, Joanne; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senate - Residency and Expenses

Coordination is the least we can ask for. I am touching base with everyone in that office.

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mdduffy@aol.com

Sent:

February 11, 2013 4:21 PM

To:

Wright, Nigel; Janice Payne; Janice Payne

Subject:

Fw: SENATE: Letter from Senate Leadership to CIBA / SÉNAT: Lettre des leaders du Sénat au

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From: "Curry, Bill" <BCurry@globeandmail.com>

Date: Mon, 11 Feb 2013 15:35:37 -0500

To: Mike Duffy (MDDuffy@aol.com)<MDDuffy@aol.com>

Subject: FW: SENATE: Letter from Senate Leadership to CIBA / SÉNAT: Lettre des leaders

du Sénat au Comité de la régie interne

Hi Mike,

I'm writing about this letter. Would you like to respond on the record? Are you prepared to pay back the expenses you claimed if the committee finds they do not qualify?

Bill

**From:** pressres2@parl.gc.ca [mailto:pressres2@parl.gc.ca]

**Sent:** February-11-13 3:09 PM

Subject: SENATE: Letter from Senate Leadership to CIBA / SÉNAT : Lettre des leaders du Sénat au

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Today, Minister Marjory LeBreton, Leader of the Government in the Senate, and Senator James Cowan, Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, released a joint letter to the Senate Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration respecting the issue of living allowances in the National Capital Region.



February 11, 2013

The Honourable David Tkachuk Room 401 – Victoria Building The Senate of Canada Ottawa ON K1A 0A4

The Honourable George Furey Room265 – East Block The Senate of Canada Ottawa ON K1A 0A4

Dear Senators Tkachuk and Furey,

Senators who maintain a secondary residence in the National Capital Region are entitled to receive a housing allowance with respect to that residence.

Obviously a claim of secondary residence presupposes that one's primary residence is elsewhere.

In late 2012 concerns were raised in the media as to the legitimacy of such claims by some Senators.

When the issue was first raised, your committee quite properly wrote to each Senator requesting copies of the Senator's health card, driver's licence, the page of his/her 2011 income tax return indicating in which province the Senator paid income tax and a declaration as to where the Senator voted in federal, provincial and municipal elections. Such information was to be provided by January 31, 2013.

We request that you proceed to interview each Senator who has claimed a secondary residence allowance to confirm the legitimacy of such claims. Should any Senator be unable to convince you that the claim is valid that Senator should be required to repay immediately all monies so paid with interest.

We believe it is vital for the reputation of the Senate and those Senators who are in full compliance with our rules and regulations that this determination be made as soon as possible and that the result be made public.

Yours truly,

Marjory LeBreton

Leader of the Government in the Senate

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James S Cowan

Leader of the Opposition in the Senate

Aujourd'hui, la ministre Marjory LeBreton, leader du gouvernement au Sénat, et le sénateur James Cowan, leader de l'opposition au Sénat, ont envoyé une lettre au Comité sénatorial de la régie interne, des budgets et de l'administration au sujet des indemnités de subsistance dans la région de la capitale nationale.



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Le 11 février 2013

L'honorable David Tkachuk Pièce 401 – Édifice Victoria Le Sénat du Canada Ottawa (Ontario) K1A 0A4

L'honorable George Furey Pièce 265 – Édifice de l'Est Le Sénat du Canada Ottawa (Ontario) K1A 0A4

Messieurs les sénateurs,

Les sénateurs qui ont une résidence secondaire dans la région de la capitale nationale ont droit à une allocation de logement relativement à cette résidence.

De toute évidence, le fait, pour une personne, de demander une allocation de logement pour une résidence secondaire suppose que celle-ci a une résidence primaire ailleurs.

Vers la fin de 2012, des préoccupations ont été exprimées dans les médias quant à la légitimité de réclamations faites à cet égard par certains sénateurs.

Lorsque la question a été soulevée la première fois, votre comité a fait ce qu'il convenait de faire, c'est-à-dire écrire à chacun des sénateurs pour leur demander des copies de leur carte d'assurance-santé, de leur permis de conduire, de la page de leur déclaration de revenus indiquant la province dans laquelle ils ont payé des impôts ainsi qu'une déclaration indiquant où ils ont voté aux élections fédérales, provinciales et municipales. Ces renseignements devaient être fournis au plus tard le 31 janvier 2013.

Nous vous saurions gré d'interroger chacun des sénateurs qui ont réclamé une allocation de logement pour résidence secondaire afin de confirmer le bien-fondé de ces réclamations. Tout sénateur qui ne parviendra pas à démontrer la validité de sa réclamation devrait être tenu de rembourser immédiatement tous les montants qui lui ont été versés, avec les intérêts.

Nous estimons qu'il est crucial, pour la réputation du Sénat et des sénateurs respectueux des pratiques et

du Règlement, que les choses soient tirées au clair le plus rapidement possible et que les résultats soient rendus publics.

Veuillez agréer, Messieurs les sénateurs, l'assurance de nos sentiments distingués.

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From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: February 11, 2013 5:23 PM

To: 'MDDuffy@aol.com'

Subject: RE: Duff at 613-254-8411

I had no foreknowledge of it. When I learned of it I asked for all unilateral action from that office to cease before being cleared with me. I was not pleased On its face, it does not make our task more complicated I think, although the "with interest" is new to me.

From: MDDuffy@aol.com [mailto:MDDuffy@aol.com]

**Sent:** February 11, 2013 5:05 PM **To:** nigel.s.wright@gmail.com

Cc: Wright, Nigel

**Subject:** Duff at 613-254-8411

What does Marjory's letter mean for our talks?

Mike

From: McNamara, Joanne

Sent: February 11, 2013 6:27 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray

Subject: Re: Duff at 613-254-8411

Sandy sends apologies.
She thought this was done.

She now clearly understands and will comply on future actions being considered.

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Monday, February 11, 2013 05:27 PM Eastern Standard Time

**To:** Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray **Cc:** McNamara, Joanne

**Subject**: RE: Duff at 613-254-8411

Joanne and I are calling Sandy now.

### Patrick Rogers

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From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** February 11, 2013 5:25 PM **To:** Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick

Cc: McNamara, Joanne

Subject: RE: Duff at 613-254-8411

Exactly. And why share the credit with Cowan? And why do it without knowing the consequences of the statement. Will all of Sen. Wallin's expenses be found to be improper technically but morally acceptable?

To repeat Patrick, no further action from that office at all without pre-clearance with us.

From: Novak, Ray

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Why on earth did their letter to the committee have to be public? It's as though there is a deliberate strategy to feed every media cycle with this.

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** February 11, 2013 5:21 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick

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Patrick,

Please convey my thanks to Sen. LeBreton's office for making this more difficult.

Nigel

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Em:

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February 11, 2013 8:38 PM

Wright, Nigel

Subject:

Re: My lawyer writes ...

I wud like to see the language of the rules before 2010. My lawyer says it is very vague. And it changed again in 2012. Why is marj agreeing to anything with cowan. The more this goes on the more I am punished financially. U know about the elxn for caucus chair tomorrow. Don plett will beat rose mae poirier because the rank and. File are pissed at marjory about a lot of issues. Fyi. Mike Sent wirelessly from my BlackBerry device on the Bell network.

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----Original Message----

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Date: Mon, 11 Feb 2013 20:33:45

To: <MDDuffy@aol.com>

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Mike,

I will meet with Sen. Tkachuk on Tuesday and understand more about their process and the instructions that have been given to their outside advisors.

### Nigel

----Original Message----

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t: February 11, 2013 7:06 PM

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Novak, Ray

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Sent: February 11, 2013 8:40 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

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Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray; McNamara, Joanne

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To:

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Patrick

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From: t: Duffy, Michael [duffym@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

February 13, 2013 1:21 AM

Subject:

Wright, Nigel Re: Update?

Thanks so much. See u then. Mike

---- Original Message ----

From: Wright, Nigel [mailto:Nigel.Wright@pmo-cpm.gc.ca]

Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2013 09:50 PM

To: Duffy, Michael Subject: RE: Update?

I called you earlier Mike and missed you at home. At this point I need to plough through my files and reading in order to get out of here in the next few hours. I could speak with you on the margins of Caucus tomorrow.

----Original Message----

From: Duffy, Michael [mailto:duffym@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: February 12, 2013 5:18 PM

To: 'nigel.s.wright@gmail.com'; Wright, Nigel

Subject: Update?

Anythibg to follow up? I am about to leave for the west end. will be home all evening. 613-254-8411.

Mike



# Re: Rubber chicken - 2011 will be higher

1 message

**Nigel Wright** <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>
To: Mike Duffy <MDDuffy@aol.com>

14 February 2013 21:04

Mike,

Thanks. When you have got it pulled together, I would appreciate seeing the back-up work sheets.

Nigel

On 14 February 2013 20:40, <MDDuffy@aol.com> wrote:

I asked David where he got 62 days. He said it was

quick guess based on a quick look at the data. This not a guess. I would have been on PEI if not on the chicken run.

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2009

81 days on PEI

87 events off-island

(168)

2010

128 days on PEI

40 events off Island

(168)

2011 - 2012 to come Friday pm.

md



# Re: PEI Residency ruling

1 message

**Nige! Wright** <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>
To: Mike Duffy <MDDuffy@aol.com>

15 February 2013 18:35

Mike, I will forward this to our inhouse counsel. Nigel

On 15 February 2013 16:30, <MDDuffy@aol.com> wrote:

Nigel:

A friendly lawyer from Truro NS just called and told me about a case he had in PEI which could be helpful.

On PEI Supreme Court judges handle small claims cases.
On March 1st, 2012; Mr Justice Benjamin Taylor
of the PEI Supreme Court ruled that merely owning a summer cottage in PEI
gave the person Island residence.

The decision wasn't written, but delivered orally.

The Court number is: S1-SC 30067

Plaintiff Bodrog Vs Magner

(He says you can get a cd of the transcript for \$30.00)

In essence the case involved a contract dispute between a guy in Poland and a guy who lived in Halifax over work performed in Ontario.

The plaintiff had run out of time in Ontario and NS, but when he learned that the NS man's wife had inherited a summer cottage in Victoria PEI, they went to court in PEI which has a longer statute of limitations on small claims.

In the event, Justice Taylor ruled that under PEI law, owning a summer cottage which was only occupied for a few weeks a year constituted making the plaintiff a PEI resident.

I hope this is helpful to your lawyers.

Mike

From: Woodcock, Chris

**Sent:** February 15, 2013 7:10 PM

To: Wright, Nigel
Subject: Re: Senator Duffy

I thought that might be the case. Following up.

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2013 07:01 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

I have arranged no comms by him at all. Please do follow up with him – I haven't spoken to him in two days (although have exchanged the odd email), so he might be feeling lonely and isolated again.

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: February 15, 2013 6:58 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

Subject: Fw: Senator Duffy

Duffy is the one troubled Senator I have not spoken to. Does what Drew is describing sound like what you have arranged? I am happy to follow up and discourage any other media if not.

From: Campbell, Drew

Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 06:30 PM

**To:** Woodcock, Chris **Subject:** Senator Duffy

Hey Chris, I just learned that Senator Duffy may be planning to publically respond to media and opposition criticism sometime next week. Do we have staff liaising with his office or the Senator directly? If so, I would suggest they loop with him ASAP to determine whether he still intends to remain quite on the allegations against him.

My liaison withe Senator has not been as frequent since this issue broke, as I have little to offer except moral support. However, I can engage more regularly so long as I know what message or direction our office wishes to convey.

I expect we would recommend against Sen. Duffy speaking publically on his expenses at this time, but if for some reason we want to respond, I would suggest that the Senator work closely with others to ensure that he has a clear plan and will not make the situation worse... or from a comms perspective, interfere with more positive media narratives in the region or country during break week.

-D.

**Drew Campbell** 

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From:

Wright, Nigel

ent:

February 18, 2013 5:33 PM

o:

Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin

Gc:

Woodcock, Chris

Subject:

RE: Residency

Thanks. I have just received this now and obviously we have discussed it. I will circle back after my convo with Sen. LeBreton tomorrow.

----Original Message----

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: February 18, 2013 4:32 PM To: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: RE: Residency

Nigel,

Sandy has informed me that the Senator is unavailable today.

The Senator would like to let us know that she has assurances from the Clerk and Law Clerk that the only way to challenge the residency of a Senator is for another Senator to do so in the Chamber.

Since this would be the case even after the motion that we have discussed, the Senator feels that there is no need to have a motion. She feels that the assurances of these people that Senator Duffy cannot be removed should be enough for Senator Duffy.

Senator LeBreton plans to call you tomorrow morning to discuss this further.

will add that Sandy made reference to the fact that the audit will be made available to the committee early next week and then the Senate by Wednesday. She also talked matter of factly about sending the issue of Primary and Secondary residence to the Rules committee to tighten the regulations. I warned her that off the top of my head, it doesn't sound like a good idea.

Ben and I wrote a note for tonight but have pulled it to see what the outcome of the conversation with the Senator is. If we decide to follow the Senator's advice and do nothing, the memo becomes moot.

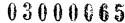
The ever changing advice and and equally changing messengers is exasperating the difficulties in communicating with this office. Today alone, we have heard separate things from all three major actors in the office. If you agree to speak to the Senator tomorrow, I recommend that we all attend and come to ground on some of these major decision points, including the roll out of the audit and any future references to the Rules Committee.

Patrick

Patrick Rogers

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires

Office of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre



From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: February 18, 2013 1:59 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: RE: Residency

Maybe we should present the plan.

----Original Message-----From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: February 18, 2013 1:48 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: RE: Residency

One of the major stumbling blocks that I can predict is Senate Caucus on Tuesday. The closed door nature of it is completely at odds with our goals here.

We should think about who we want to present the plan and who we want in the room to ensure that Senators have answers and we have the necessary feedback.

Patrick

Patrick Rogers

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires

Office of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre

----Original Message----

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: February 18, 2013 1:30 PM To: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: RE: Residency

I have a call in to Sandy to line up with the meeting with Senator LeBreton.

In writing the memo to the PM on the change I will highlight some of the timing issues and outline different scenarios for our plan to pass.

I will speak to Montgomery later in the day to get a heads up on Tkachuk's sub-committee. Following that conversation we'll likely have to speak to Tkachuk as well.

Patrick Rogers

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----Original Message----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: February 18, 2013 1:02 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: RE: Residency

Sen. LeBreton agrees that Chris might not be fully on board. I think that she now inderstands that this is the approach to take (unless the PM disagrees, but I am sure that his comment will be more about how long it will take and whether we get things fixed in one fell swoop or whether we continue to dribble out Senate news over weeks and months so that the story never dies).

I told Sen. LeBreton that Ben and Patrick would be over to gather any comments she has on the guidelines. I asked her to think about whether Rules and Procedures or a specially constituted committee should be the venue. Honestly, she needs firm direction on how to get it done, and we cannot assume that that office can execute, partly because she and the whole office are curiously hands-off when it comes to how the Senate Clerk, committees and subcommittees go about their business. I got no satisfaction from my discussion with her that she will actually take charge, call in all the people on our side who have to make it happen and give them clear marching orders. The discussion was all a bit of a haze, with a blurring together of expenses matters being considered by the Internal Economy subcommittee with the constitutional residency issues.

The bottom line is that I will look to you Patrick, involving Ben, me, and Joanne as much as necessary, to coordinate this and make it happen. I am completely willing to expend some time, because getting confirmation of qualification residency is all that is needed to close out the Duffy situation and likely the Patterson situation and to stop our public agony on those. Ben can brief whomever on the Senate side on the guidelines and coordinate input that is worthy of being accepted.

Sen. Tkachuk's subcommittee is interviewing Zimmer and Patterson today or tomorrow. Why? I think that they both have qualification residency issues, so I am concerned that the interview is about more than just expenses. I get the impression that Sen. Tkachuk is too led around by the Clerk and by counsel, so I am dubious that he will get the residency thing resolved definitively, correctly, and quickly. If you want to set up a call with me and him, please feel free. Chris Montgomery is going to a meeting of that subcommittee bday - please quiz him on what is going on there and where people's heads are at. If they continue to blend separate issues together (like qualification residence vs primary residence), then we're in a morass.

In the meantime, Sen. LeBreton is expecting a meeting with Ben and Patrick. She agrees with everything at one level, but I'm not sure how well it is internalized.

#### Nigel

----Original Message----

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: February 18, 2013 11:26 AM To: Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel

Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: RE: Residency

Nigel,

Ben and I have made clear to Chris Montgomery (Sandy did not attend) that the Income Tax Act change will not work.

I also stressed that this must be done quickly and without the normal time consuming Senate niceties.

Based on Montgomery's response it is clear to me that Ben and I should brief Senator LeBreton directly. Chris simply does not believe in our goal of circling the wagons. Because of this lack of buy in, it was impossible to discuss meaningfully the parliamentary strategy.

will work with Ben to get something for the Prime Minister tonight,

#### Patrick Rogers

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre

----Original Message----From: Perrin, Benjamin Sent: February 18, 2013 8:01 AM To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: Re: Residency Gotcha. Will do. ---- Original Message -----From: Wright, Nigel Sent: Monday, February 18, 2013 08:00 AM Eastern Standard Time To: Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: Re: Residency Because I want them off the track they are on. ---- Original Message ----From: Perrin, Benjamin Sent: Monday, February 18, 2013 07:56 AM Eastern Standard Time To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick Cc: Woodcock, Chris abject: Re: Residency Ok ---- Original Message -----From: Wright, Nigel Sent: Monday, February 18, 2013 07:55 AM Eastern Standard Time To: Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: RE: Residency No, I think we should move ahead with that meeting to brief them, but not have anything go to Senators other than MLB and nothing to the Committee until we have a return. ----Original Message----From: Perrin, Benjamin Sent: February 18, 2013 7:54 AM To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: Re: Residency Nigel: I assume we should defer the meeting with Chris M and Sandra that I'd set for this

---- Original Message ----

morning to await the return?

From: Wright, Nigel

nt: Monday, February 18, 2013 07:32 AM Eastern Standard Time

o: Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick

Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: RE: Residency 03000068

Patrick: let me know if there's anything else you'd need from me to draft the memo.

I think we should lay out the approach in a brief memo to the PM. It would outline the approach we intend to take at Senate committee to settle residency questions, and would append Ben's guidelines as akin to what the committee would adopt.

----Original Message----

rom: Wright, Nigel

Sent: February 17, 2013 12:07 PM To: Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick

Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: Re: Residency

Practical / political ones. The others are well laid out in the document. Thx.

---- Original Message -----

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Sunday, February 17, 2013 10:34 AM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel

Cc: Woodcock, Chris
Subject: Re: Residency

I will book the meeting. When you say reasons, do you mean both the legal reasons as well as the practical political ones? Not sure how much you want the latter emphasized with them.

---- Original Message ----

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Saturday, February 16, 2013 09:50 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: Re: Residency

The chair of the rules committee is David Smith.

ecause the actions of committees are dictated by the Senate, I think we can slam it through despite a Liberal chair in a way that you would approve of. We'll draw something up.

#### Patrick

---- Original Message ----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Saturday, February 16, 2013 09:43 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Residency

Thank you Ben. I do not have any further comments. As for the meeting on Monday, I would appreciate it if Patrick could go. You could walk Chris (and perhaps Sandy Melo) through the reasons why the ITA test does not work and why this is a better approach. Patrick can focus on detailing a plan for them to actually have the appropriate Senate committee adopt this set of principles and, either systematically or upon request of Senators who wish to have their constitutional residency, determine the residency for qualification purposes of Senators. The committee should start with those whose residency has been impugned. It should proceed by way of in camera interviews with such Senators. The determination and brief reasons will have to be public. Speed, at least for Duffy, is of the essence.

Patrick, we are going to need to manage the briefing of the Conservative Senators (including, hopefully Chair) of the Committee. If the Rules and Procedures committee doesn't have the right membership, then the Senate by motion should constitute a special committee that will have the right Senators on board. We cannot rely on the Senate Leader's office to get this right.

'll have to do this in a way that does not lead to the Chinese water torture of new acts in the public domain, that the PM does not want.

I am open to other suggestions, of course.

----Original Message---From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 16, 2013 9:25 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

:: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Residency

A clean copy and track changes version of the revised memo is attached.

If you approve it, I can meet with Chris M to discuss it. If you have anything specific beyond this document's contents that you'd like me to convey in that meeting, please let me know. Thanks.

---- Original Message ----

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Saturday, February 16, 2013 05:02 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Residency

Thanks, Nigel. I am glad it is along the lines of what you had in mind. I will finalize it and circulate it back to you for a final check. I can then meet with Chris M. (perhaps with Patrick) on Monday morning to walk through it.

---- Original Message ----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Saturday, February 16, 2013 04:43 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Residency

Ben,

his is very much what I am looking for. I have suggested a couple of changes in the attached version. What I have not done in the attached version is deal with the concept of "and historically" and "including historically". In my view, this whole concept is better addressed through words like "over a period of time" or "over the years since appointment". I do not think that we could defend an interpretation that a solely historical attachment can underpin continuing qualification under the representational principle. Perhaps you could consider that.

When we feel we have a final draft, I would like this discussed please with Chris Montgomery. Getting something like this agreed to by leadership, or perhaps adopted by the committee on rules and procedures, is all that stands in the way of Sen. Duffy paying back his \$32,000 and closing out his situation. I think it is also necessary to end speculation about the qualification to serve of Sens. Wallin and Patterson, although both might have other ongoing issues.

#### Nigel

----Original Message----

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 16, 2013 12:09 AM

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Residency

Privileged

Attached is a pragmatic draft proposal for your consideration. It is defensible and should enable desired outcomes, subject to cooperation by adjudicating committee members.

spoke with Patrick earlier tonight for more context and to brainstorm in developing this accument, but he's not seen this in detail yet.

I would be pleased to hear your views.

---- Original Message ----

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 09:11 PM Eastern Standard Time

p: Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel

Cc: Woodcock, Chris
Subject: Re: Residency

#### Privileged

This will take some thinking, I will get on it. I will try to formulate an approach and reply to this chain with it.

---- Original Message -----

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 09:04 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris Subject: Re: Residency

#### Ben,

I am happy to discuss a legal way forward and how to push it through the Senate, whenever you are available.

#### Patrick

---- Original Message -----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 08:45 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Residency

That was precisely my mandate to Sen. LeBreton. That office's response was to apply income tax residency as the test for constitutional residency. My read of the interpretation bulletin suggests to me that the idea will not work since a prime objective is not to disqualify our sitting Senators.

I wonder if you and Patrick could work to suggest an approach to Chris Montgomery. My earlier suggestion was that the Senate Rules committee (dominated by us) make a residency determination for any Senator who asks for one to be made. It can suggest certain documentary tests (driver's licence, health card, and also indicate qualitative criteria that serve the constitution's purpose of ensuring that Senators have sufficient engagement with the provinces they represent to be able to represent them effectively in the Senate.

### Nigel

----Original Message----

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 15, 2013 8:41 PM

To: Wright, Nigel Subject: Re: Residency

### Privileged

That is concerning. The question asked was a tax law question. We can try to come up with a more flexible alternative, if desired, on the main question of what the residency qualification means for Senators in the constitution. The starting point would be that there are different purposes animating the ITA vs the constitutional residency qualification for Senators. Let me know if we want to explore other options re residency test. I'm not saying they would be easy or good.

---- Original Message -----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Friday, February 15, 2013 08:26 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin Subject: RE: Residency

I am gravely concerned that Sen. Duffy would be considered a resident of Ontario under this ITB. Possibly Sen. Patterson in BC too. If this were adopted as the Senate's view bout whether the constitutional qualification were met, the consequences are obvious.

----Original Message---From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 15, 2013 7:39 AM

To: Wright, Nigel Subject: Re: Residency

Hi Nigel,

From my research into that taxation question, the residency requirement is comprehensively addressed in the following CRA bulletin (which includes the test applying to provincial residence):

Canada Revenue Agency, "Income Tax Act: Determination of an Individual's Residence Status" (IT-221R3 (Consolidated)), online: http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pub/tp/it221r3-consolid/it221r3-consolid-e.pdf

I shared this with Chris when we met yesterday morning. It is fairly comprehensive, but not necessarily a bright line.

I also suggested we should consider the potential for an extraordinary circumstances exception if, in an anomalous year, for serious medical like needing ongoing chemotherapy or family reasons (eg), a person (ordinarily resident outside of Ontario) is found by CRA to be resident in Ontario. The Senate Committee on Internal Economy (or whatever its full title is) would have to hear such a case. I am just concerned that there could be a scenario where CRA finds someone, in one year, to be an Ontarian who we'd consider really should not be disqualified as a result. At its core this concern arises because the purposes of section 23 of the Constitution Act, 1867 are not precisely aligned with the urposes of the Income Tax Act. However, I appreciate the need for clear rules which is why I'm suggesting only a very narrow, one-year, exemption from the CRA residence determination be possible for "exceptional circumstances" and that be determined by Committee on a case specific basis.

I hope this is helpful.

Regards, Ben

---- Original Message ----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Thursday, February 14, 2013 10:09 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin Subject: FW: Residency

FYI

----Original Message----

From: LeBreton, Marjory [mailto:LEBREM@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: February 14, 2013 9:53 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: Melo, Sandy; Montgomery, Christopher; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Residency

I agree. We have to ensure that their signed declaration confirming the address of their property/residence in their home province/territory and the filing of their 2012 income ax meets the requirements of the Income Tax Act. I am not aware of any special instructions or bulletins but we will check with the Clerk's office to determine what procedures are followed. There can be no wiggle room here. Marjory

Sent from my iPad

On 2013-02-14, at 9:27 PM, "Wright, Nigel" <Nigel.Wright@pmo-cpm.gc.ca<mailto:Nigel.Wright@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>> wrote:

enator,

What I did want Ben Perrin to assess is whether there is jurisprudence or interpretation bulletins governing what is required for a taxpayer to claim to reside in a province for the purposes of the Income Tax Act. I would love to pay Alberta income taxes, but I cannot simply claim to reside there. We need to be sure that all of our Senators will truly be on the right side of this bright line test.

Nigel

From: LeBreton, Marjory [mailto:LEBREM@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: February 14, 2013 1:23 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: Melo, Sandy; Montgomery, Christopher; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Residency

Hi Nigel - I was persuaded by David Tkachuk and Chris that this rule change can easily be dealt with when we return on the 26th when we have had a chance to brief our Caucus. We could put the motion down on Tuesday and deal with it at Rules on Wednesday. I do believe making this change would clarify and simplify the rules and get us away from other impossible residency issues like how many days spent in one place or another. It is clean, clear and solves a host of problems and the timing is perfect - just in time for the filing of 2012 Income Taxes. Marjory

From: Wright, Nigel [mailto:Nigel.Wright@pmo-cpm.gc.ca]

Sent: Thursday, February 14, 2013 1:08 PM

To: Montgomery, Christopher

c: LeBreton, Marjory; Melo, Sandy; Rogers, Patrick

ubject: RE: Residency

Thanks Chris. As I considered this idea further over night, I did conclude that we needed to understand more about residency definitions for income tax purposes, which is why I asked for the meeting with Ben on this. I have not yet spoken with Ben, but I will.

From: Montgomery, Christopher [mailto:montgc@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: February 14, 2013 1:03 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: LeBreton, Marjory; Melo, Sandy; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Residency

Had a good chat with Ben this morning. I'm sure he filled you in. We will not give notice today in order that we can speak to Caucus about it when we return on the 26ht and give notice then. Tkachuk is also nervous about proceeding right now and feels he can be in a position to address the current situation by the time we return on Tuesday.

Chris Montgomery

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From: Wright, Nigel [mailto:Nigel.Wright@pmo-cpm.gc.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, February 13, 2013 6:10 PM

To: Montgomery, Christopher

c: LeBreton, Marjory; Melo, Sandy; Rogers, Patrick

bject: RE: Residency

It has the benefit, Chris, of being a bright-line test, in the sense of being very easy to

understand, easy to comply with, and easy to verify. So the only question is whether it would pass in the court of public opinion. I think it would because most Senators also have other attributes of residence, but mostly because subjecting oneself to the taxation of a jurisdiction makes one care about its public policy, which relates to the representational objectives of s. 31 of the Constitution Act. I am comfortable with it. will raise it at our Department Heads meeting on Thursday to see if anyone spots a serious flaw that none of us sees.

From: Montgomery, Christopher [mailto:montgc@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: February 13, 2013 6:03 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: LeBreton, Marjory; Melo, Sandy; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Residency

### Nigel,

I have attached an amended note that I wrote for Minister LeBreton last week on a possible path forward. I continue to believe that this is an appropriate way forward that protects those Senators caught up in the current debate and that would provide certainty moving forward.

First, an Order of Reference would be sent to the Rules committee instructing them to define residency for the purposes of s. 31 of the Constitution Act, 1867. This is the exclusive right of the Senate itself. This would address the primary concern of the media and public in this matter.

Second, the committee would report back to the Senate with a recommendation that a Senator must file taxes in the province from which they were appointed in order to qualify as a Senator and provide an accountability mechanism. The committee would also recommend a three month "coming into force provision" in order to allow Senators some time to comply. We have three Conservative Senators (Duffy, Patterson and Wallin) that filed their 2011 return in another jurisdiction. Those Senators would have to be informed very clearly that their 2012 taxes must be filed in the jurisdiction they represent. I understand affy has already indicated that he intends to do this. As we happen to be in tax filing season in just over two weeks, this timeline happens to fit nicely. Provided the three Senators adhere to this one requirement, they could be assured that they will not be at risk of losing their seats.

I have attached a draft motion. I will want to ask a couple questions of the Law Clerk and minor amendments may be made as a result. But, the intent would remain. The reporting date could also be easily changed. Our Caucus was agreeable to this approach but had concerns over timing which we can address with them, I am sure. The Liberals also agree with the order.

#### Chris Montgomery

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From:

Wright, Nigel

February 19, 2013 6:01 AM

'mdduffy@aol.com'

Subject:

Re: The Guardian SmartEdition

Yup, I just read it. This too shall pass.

---- Original Message -----

From: Mike Duffy [mailto:mdduffy@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 05:35 AM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel

Subject: The Guardian SmartEdition

http://theguardian.newspaperdirect.com/epaper/iphone/homepage.aspx#\_article942b3111c483-4401-8db2-5e7c406de0f5/waarticle942b3111-c483-4401-8db2-5e7c406de0f5/942b3111c483-4401-8db2-5e7c406de0f5/0/true

Sent from my iPad

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: February 19, 2013 1:19 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick; McNamara, Joanne

Cc: Atwood, Myles

**Subject:** RE: Return on Senate Residency note Some suggested changes in the last two lines.

From: Woodcock, Chris

**Sent:** February 19, 2013 1:04 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick; McNamara, Joanne

Cc: Atwood, Myles

Subject: RE: Return on Senate Residency note

### Proposed Lines:

• We have committed to ensuring that all expenses are appropriate, that the rules governing expenses are appropriate and to reporting back to the public on these matters.

- All Conservative senators meet the Constitutional qualifications to sit in the Senate.
- Senators Patterson, Wallin and Duffy own property in the provinces and territory they represent and maintain deep, continuing ties to those regions. All three Senators spend considerable time in their home provinces and territory.
- The best way to assure representation in the Senate is to have Senators selected through democratic elections.

### On Specifics:

- Senator Patterson is a former Premier who has served the people of the Northwest Territories and Nunavut for 34 years. He owns property and maintains a residence in Iqaluit, Nunavut.
- Senator Wallin was born and raised in Saskatchewan and owns a residence in the Town of Wadena.
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Cc: Atwood, Myles

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Cc: Atwood, Myles

Subject: RE: Return on Senate Residency note

#### Proposed Lines:

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From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** February 19, 2013 4:27 PM

To: van Hemmen, David

Subject: pls schedule a call w Sen. Duffy, thx

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** February 20, 2013 2:45 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin

Subject: RE: Senator Michael Duffy

Yes, you should. You should get an update first. That can come from Chris W & Patrick R, or from me if

they are not available. Nigel

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 20, 2013 2:35 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

Subject: Fw: Senator Michael Duffy

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I can reply and see if she wants to speak. I would just listen and then report back. Do you agree?

From: Christine King [mailto:Christine.King@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2013 02:10 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Janice Payne < janice.payne@nelligan.ca>

Subject: Senator Michael Duffv

Mr. Perrin,

Attached please find a letter addressed to you from Janice Payne with respect to our client, Senator Michael Duffy.

Christine King Legal Assistant Nelligan O'Brien Payne LLP 50 O'Connor, Suite 1500 Ottawa, ON K1P 6L2 Tel/Tél: 613-231-8280

Fax/Téléc: 613-238-2098

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From: t: Wright, Nigel

February 20, 2013 2:45 PM

Perrin, Benjamin

Subject:

FW: Your fax number pls. Mike

----Original Message----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: February 20, 2013 7:07 AM

To: 'mdduffy@aol.com'; Woodcock, Chris Subject: RE: Your fax number pls. Mike

Mike.

I didn't say that, and if you continue to misquote me, then we will be speaking only through lawyers going forward. I said that if you continue on the path you want to take, I expect that Deloitte will conclude that your primary residence is in Kanata. I have said that to you several times. It is based on what you have told me, as I have seen no documentation from you.

Nigel Wright

----Original Message----

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Sent: February 20, 2013 7:02 AM
To: Woodcock, Chris; Wright, Nigel
Subject: Re: Your fax number pls. Mike

as going to send u letter from my heart doc. My lawyer also wants the letter of structions to delitte outlining the scope of their work re me. Nigel says his analysis is I am in violation of the housing allowance policy she also wants that analysis.

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

From: Chris Woodcock

To: Mike Duffy

Subject: Re: Your fax number pls. Mike

Sent: Feb 20, 2013 7:44 AM

I haven't received a fax from you.

---- Original Message -----

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 05:07 PM
To: 'mdduffy@aol.com' <mdduffy@aol.com>
Subject: Re: Your fax number pls. Mike

613-957-5514

---- Original Message -----

From: mdduffy@aol.com [mailto:mdduffy@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 05:00 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Your fax number pls. Mike

Sent wirelessly from my BlackBerry device on the Bell network. Envoyé sans fil par mon terminal mobile BlackBerry sur le réseau de Bell.

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**Sent:** February 20, 2013 3:39 PM

**To:** 'Melo, Sandy' **Subject:** RE: Duffy

I did speak with Dave, thanks. We agreed on a path forward. PMO is engaging with Duffy this afternoon and Dave will be, or will already have, called him too.

From: Melo, Sandy [mailto:MELOS@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: February 20, 2013 1:15 PM

To: Wright, Nigel Subject: Duffy

Hi Nigel, Senator Tkachuk called Marjory late this morning because he had received a disturbing call from Duffy. Apparently he was asking Dave do some things he felt he simply could not. Marjory told Dave to call you as soon as possible. I wanted to mention this to you at our meeting, but you had to leave early. Sandy

Sandy Melo
Chief of Staff/Chef de Cabinet
Office of the Leader of the
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From:

Wright, Nigel

Sent:

February 20, 2013 7:37 PM

To:

Woodcock, Chris; MacDougall, Andrew; Lecce, Stephen; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin

Subject: RE: Duffy Scenario

I am fine with this Chris.

I have spoken again with Sen. Duffy. Tomorrow morning I shall receive by courier redacted copies of his diaries and other info to back up his claim to have "PEI" (as opposed to his home in Cavendish) as his primary residence. Our team will have to look at that to see if there is anything in it that we would not want his lawyer to send to the Senate steering committee. Maybe it will persuade us to let him take his chances with Deloitte's findings. If not, then I have told him I will be back on his case about repayment. I have told him that we have comms and issues management materials in preparation.

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Sent: February 20, 2013 5:26 PM

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Sent:

February 21, 2013 12:17 PM

To:

Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Lecce, Stephen

Subject: RE: Sen Duffy

Adding Stephen. I think that we should provide these to Mike, but in the context of a phone call where that team sends them (including Q&A and statement) to Mike directly and then walks him through them over the phone. I don't like the optics of our sending lines to his lawyer. We could walk him through the support we would provide.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 21, 2013 12:12 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Sen Duffy

Privileged

Fyi - sounds like they will consider it. I'd like to share the draft products with her once they go to the Senator if you're okay with that. Let me know.

**From**: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2013 12:08 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

**Cc**: Christine King < Christine.King@nelligan.ca> **Subject**: Further to our discussion yesterday....

You mentioned support developing media lines/releases for various options.

Nigel spoke to our client last night and also said he would be sending some media lines. When I last spoke to my client this morning he didn't yet have them.

We would like to see these as soon as they are available so that we can review options with our client.

When they are sent, please provide me with a copy.

Janice Payne
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50 O'Connor, Suite 1500
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**Sent:** February 21, 2013 12:50 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick; Lecce, Stephen

Subject: RE: Sen Duffy

Roger.

From: Woodcock, Chris

**Sent:** February 21, 2013 12:45 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Lecce, Stephen

Subject: RE: Sen Duffy

Here is the Q&A. Patrick, Stephen and I will call Senator Duffy shortly. Nigel I had put together several more questions, but pared it back to your core questions with some revisions and a couple of additions.

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A: I have a residence in PEI and one in Ottawa.

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A: Not at all. I own a residence in PEI. I was born and raised there. And I will continue to represent PEI in Senate. Most Parliamentarians have a place in the National Capital as well as in the province they represent. Some stay in hotels, some rent, some own.

# Q3. You seemed confident earlier this week that Deloitte would clear you. What changed your mind?

A: I took a few days to sort out what the issue really was. I want there to be no doubt that I'm serving Islanders first. There has been an historical lack of clarity in the rules and forms. I had thought I was doing the right thing, but I was mistaken and I'm making it right.

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### Q6. If you live in PEI, why don't you have a health card?

A: A health card doesn't define my ability to represent PEI in the Senate.

Q7. You said you rent a place in Charlottetown, where is your apartment?

A: I stay in Charlottetown during the winter months when my residence in Cavendish is inaccessible. I'm not going to get into the details.

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Sent: February 21, 2013 12:20 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Lecce, Stephen

Subject: Re: Sen Duffy

Great. I will not reply to her.

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**Sent**: Thursday, February 21, 2013 12:17 PM Eastern Standard Time **To**: Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Lecce, Stephen

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BTW, if he asks, I have not yet received his Purlolator package.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 21, 2013 12:12 PM

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Subject: Sen Duffy

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Fyi - sounds like they will consider it. I'd like to share the draft products with her once they go to the Senator if you're okay with that. Let me know.

**From:** Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2013 12:08 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

**Cc**: Christine King < Christine.King@nelligan.ca> **Subject**: Further to our discussion yesterday....

You mentioned support developing media lines/releases for various options.

Nigel spoke to our client last night and also said he would be sending some media lines. When I last spoke to my client this morning he didn't yet have them.

We would like to see these as soon as they are available so that we can review options with our client.

When they are sent, please provide me with a copy.



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Sent:

February 21, 2013 7:18 PM

To:

Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Lecce, Stephen

Subject: RE: Revised Duffy Statement

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Lecce, Stephen; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; MacDougall, Andrew

Subject: RE: Revised Duffy Statement

He's open to that – giving them a heads-up – but I simply said that Stephen or Chris would deal on all that kind of stuff because I won't get into those details.

From: Lecce, Stephen

Sent: February 21, 2013 8:28 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; MacDougall, Andrew

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To:

Novak, Ray

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lawyer.

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Need to speak on it.

From: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Friday, February 22, 2013 02:52 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Christine King < Christine.King@nelligan.ca>

Subject: Senator Duffy

Revised bullets.

You have our media lines and we are waiting to hear from you.

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  the Internal Economy Committee, by any other party. If any member of the Committee makes any
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  OCCUR?
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  reimbursed AS DISCUSSED.
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Rogers, Patrick

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So I have responded to Ben on counsel's point. ,

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**Sent:** February 22, 2013 2:58 PM

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# 22 Feb 2012

# Statement by The Hon. Mike Duffy, Senator, Cavendish PEI

Four years ago, I was given the opportunity to sit in the Senate as a voice for Prince Edward Islanders in Ottawa. I jumped at the chance. I was born here, I was raised here, I own a house here, I pay property taxes here, and most important, my heart is here.

I also started my career here, and took my Island sensibilities along when I was covering politics in Ottawa.

Being a Senator has allowed me to do a lot of good for PEI communities. And there is a lot more to be done.

Recently questions have been raised about my eligibility for the housing allowance provided to MPs and Senators.

The Senate rules on housing allowances aren't clear, and the forms are confusing. I filled out the Senate forms in good faith and believed I was in compliance with the rules.

Now it turns out I may have been mistaken.

Rather than let this issue drag on, my wife and I have decided that the allowance associated with my house in Ottawa will be repaid.

I want there to be no doubt that I'm serving Islanders first.

613-947-4163

Q: You have 2 houses but you will not claim a housing allowance?

A: That's correct. I will not claim an allowance for our house in Ottawa unless the rules of the Senate were to change, making it clear that I am in compliance with whatever the new regulations are.

As a representative for the province, I have always taken care to conduct my affairs in a manner that Islanders can be proud of and to hold myself to a higher standard.

Because I have a home in Cavendish and I have been spending so much more time away from my home in Ottawa, I had considered Cavendish to be my primary residence. There has been an historical lack of clarity in the rules and forms. I had thought I was doing the right thing, but the rules are not clear and I am uncomfortable with the distraction this issue is causing to all.

Q1: Is Ottawa your primary residence?

A: I have a residence in PEI and one in Ottawa.

Q2. The housing allowance will no longer be claimed for the Ottawa home? Does this mean that you are not a resident of PEI and unable to represent it in the Senate?

A: Not at all. I own a residence in PEI and I reside on the Island for long periods of time every year. I was born and raised there. And I will continue to represent PEI in Senate. Most Parliamentarians have a place in the National Capital as well as in the province they represent. Some stay in hotels, some rent, some own.

Q3. You seemed confident earlier this week that Deloitte would clear you. What changed your mind?

A: I took a few days to sort out what the issue really was. I want there to be no doubt that I'm serving Islanders first. There has been an historical lack of clarity in the rules and forms. I had thought I was doing the right thing, but I may have been mistaken and I prefer to correct the matter now.

Q4. Why have you done this now and not let Deloitte finish its work? Is there something you don't want them to discover?

A: The only thing Deloitte was looking at for me was the housing allowance and there is nothing else. As I have said, I want to cure this matter now. It is not worth the continuing distraction.

Q5. Why did it take you so long to admit to the mistake?

A: Listen, people were suggesting that I am not a resident of PEI. I knew that was ludicrous. It took some time to sort out what the real issue was.

Q6. If you live in PEI, why don't you have a health card?

A: A health card doesn't define my ability to represent PEI in the Senate.

Q7. You said you rent a place in Charlottetown, where is your apartment?

A: I stay in Charlottetown (58 Great George St.) during the winter months when my residence in Cavendish is inaccessible. Many Islanders do this.

Q8: Will you commit to being more transparent and accountable moving forward?

A. As a representative for the province, I have always taken care to conduct my affairs in a manner that Islanders can be proud of and to hold myself to a higher standard.

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February 22, 2013 3:27 PM

To:

Perrin, Benjamin; Woodcock, Chris; Lecce, Stephen; MacDougall, Andrew; van Hemmen, David; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy

We are OK with this, and we will bring the Senators onside (anyone disagree based on what they have heard?). We should GO.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 22, 2013 3:26 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Lecce, Stephen; MacDougall, Andrew; Wright, Nigel; van Hemmen, David; Rogers,

Patrick

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They are good to go now on everything IF these change are made to the lines from Sens Lebreton, S-O, and Th:

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Then after committee:

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Please advise ASAP.

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Ok. Good. We are done.

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"An error" is changed to "any possible error". As discussed, with this change, we are good to go.

Please notify your client immediately.

Our people will be in touch with him to implement.

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My cell is 613-697-0304 if you need to reach me.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent**: Friday, February 22, 2013 01:01 PM Eastern Standard Time **To**: 'janice.payne@nelligan.ca' < janice.payne@nelligan.ca >

Subject: Urgent: Senator Duffy

I understand from our communications people that for this to happen today, which is imperative, we need the greenlight from you imminently.

From:

Wright, Nigel

Sent:

February 22, 2013 5:44 PM

To:

MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Lecce, Stephen; Novak, Ray; Perrin,

Benjamin; van Hemmen, David

Subject: RE: Duffy Transcript

Sweet.

From: MacDougall, Andrew Sent: February 22, 2013 5:44 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Lecce, Stephen; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin; van

Hemmen, David

**Subject:** RE: Duffy Transcript

Yay this is fun.

Duffy just told Tom Clark that he (duffy) is under strict instruction from the Centre to not talk to Global.

Helpful.

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Friday, February 22, 2013 5:43 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Lecce, Stephen; MacDougall, Andrew; Novak, Ray; Perrin,

Benjamin; van Hemmen, David **Subject:** RE: Duffy Transcript

I appreciate the work this team did on this. One down, two to go (and one out).

From: Rogers, Patrick

**Sent:** February 22, 2013 5:34 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Wright, Nigel; Lecce, Stephen; MacDougall, Andrew; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin;

van Hemmen, David

Subject: RE: Duffy Transcript

As the Parliamentary guy, I will point out that the Steering Committee only exists because the regular committee creates it and it has no power of its own. All decisions by the Steering Committee need to be ratified the normal committee.

That is the wonky explanation.

But I don't think there is any harm in referencing the steering committee.

**Patrick Rogers** 

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires Office of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre

From: Woodcock, Chris

**Sent:** February 22, 2013 5:29 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Lecce, Stephen; MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin;

van Hemmen, David

**Subject:** RE: Duffy Transcript

revised

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February 22, 2013

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# Senator Mike Duffy

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** February 22, 2013 5:28 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Lecce, Stephen; MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin; van

Hemmen, David

**Subject:** RE: Duffy Transcript

Good. Maybe just say "provide me \*forthwith\* with the amount that must be repaid". And please say "Steering Committee", or whatever it is (Patrick?). I would like to have this resolved at that level (three Senators of which only one is a Liberal) because it can be done more quickly and more cleanly.

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: February 22, 2013 5:26 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Lecce, Stephen; MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin; van

Hemmen, David

Subject: RE: Duffy Transcript

Here is a draft letter to the Committee from Senator Duffy.

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To: Lecce, Stephen; MacDougall, Andrew; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin; van

Hemmen, David

Subject: RE: Duffy Transcript

"I don't think I owe this money."

From: Lecce, Stephen

Sent: February 22, 2013 5:09 PM

To: MacDougall, Andrew; Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin

Subject: RE: Duffy Transcript

Duffy is live on CTV NN.

From: MacDougall, Andrew Sent: 2013-02-22 5:05 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Lecce, Stephen; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin

Subject: Re: Duffy Transcript

When is paper going out?

Andrew MacDougall
Director of Communications | Directeur des communications
PMO | CPM
613-957-5555

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Friday, February 22, 2013 05:02 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Lecce, Stephen; Woodcock, Chris; MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin

**Subject**: RE: Duffy Transcript

Twitter: @PMO MacDougall

Agree. The semi-reasonable Guardian columnist was the one who staked out the washroom at the airport.

From: Lecce, Stephen

**Sent:** February 22, 2013 5:00 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Wright, Nigel; MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin

**Subject:** RE: Duffy Transcript

I should add that Mike does not want to do The Guardian. He gave it some thought and does not believe that he will get a decent hit out of the one (semi-reasonable) reporter in the paper.

I am comfortable with him proceeding with CBC and CTY. Print will quote from his statement and network interviews.

From: Lecce, Stephen Sent: 2013-02-22 4:59 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Wright, Nigel; MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin

Subject: Re: Duffy Transcript

Mike finished CBC PEI, it will likely lead the 6pm broadcast.

He is doing CTV Atlantic at 5:30pm (ET) - will be a live double ender.

We debriefed with the Senator after CBC.

From: Woodcock, Chris

**Sent**: Friday, February 22, 2013 04:51 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; MacDougall, Andrew; Lecce, Stephen; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin

**Subject**: Duffy Transcript

**Breaking News Summary** 

Date / Date : February 22, 2013

Time / Heure: 16h40

Network / Chaîne: CBC-NN

Andrew: A CBC news exclusive, mike duffy says he'll voluntarily pay back expenses related to his job as a Senator. The Senator showed up at CBC television studios in charlottetown just moments ago in a live interview where he said that he was, in fact, going to pay all of this back. He's been investigated by a Senate committee, you will remember for housing expenses, along with a number of other -- along with a lot of other Senators, all centred on where he claims his residence to be. In that interview on CBC in charlottetown he now admits that he may not live in the province 183 days a year and he says he's happy to pay double taxes because he doesn't spend enough time in the province. Here's a portion of that interview...

Interview: Everywhere I go people are talking, well, where do you live, what's that all about, it's become a major distraction so my wife and I discussed it and we decided that in order to turn the page and to put all of this behind us we are going to voluntarily pay back my living expenses related to the house we have in Ottawa.

Reporter: The \$42,000 approximately?

Interview: Whatever it is. The accountants, you know... We're going to pay it back and until the rules are clear and they're not clear now, the forms are not clear, and I hope that the Senate will re-do the forms to make them clearer, I will not claim a housing allowance.

Reporter: Is that an admission that you don't believe that you're a permanent resident of Prince Edward Island?

Interview: No, it has nothing to do with residency in p.E.I., I'm an island resident and I am entitled to be a Senator, I've met all of those requirements and the one is really of accounting, how much time are you here, how much time are you there. The form that you fill in once a year on this matter is vague and I may have made a mistake in filling in that form. And rather than go through months and months and months of an audit, we've got important work to do so my wife and I talked last night and I said, let's just get this off the plate.

Reporter: What mistake might you have made on this form?

Interview: Well, I wish I had a copy of the form here to show you. It asks for your primary address in the province in which you reside and I put cavendish and it asks for your second residence and I put kanata. The argument among the accountants is that actually I spend more time in kanata than I do in cavendish and, therefore, my primary residence should really be Ottawa, and not cavendish. But the form says the primary residence in the province you represent.

Reporter: Right.

Interview: So there is no space to say well, and there is no formula, and there is no rule that says you have to spend so many days.

Andrew: That's Senator mike duffy saying he'll pay back expense money, he was speaking to the CBC in charlottetown.

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Sent:

February 22, 2013 6:04 PM

To:

Lecce, Stephen

Cc:

MacDougall, Andrew; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray; van Hemmen, David; Perrin,

Benjamin

Subject: FW: 'I made a mistake' claiming housing allowance, says embattled senator Duffy (Updated)

Where are the senior government sources on his qualification to sit?

**From:** Fecteau Labbé, Simon **Sent:** February 22, 2013 5:58 PM

Subject: 'I made a mistake' claiming housing allowance, says embattled senator Duffy (Updated)

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# 'I made a mistake' claiming housing allowance, says embattled senator Duffy (Senate-Duffy-Residenc)

Source: The Canadian Press

Feb 22, 2013 17:29

OTTAWA \_ Embattled Conservative Sen. Mike Duffy says he ``may have made a mistake" when he claimed a housing allowance that he now says he plans to pay back.

Duffy showed up Friday at the CBC's studios in Charlottetown, where he promptly admitted in an interview that he erred in filling out the claim form and was wrong to claim the allowance.

He said both the forms and the rules that govern them are vague and confusing.

"Until the rules are clear \_ and they're not clear now; the forms are not clear and I hope the Senate will redo the forms to make them clear \_ I will not claim a housing allowance," Duffy said.

"It's become a major distraction, so my wife and I discussed it and we decided that in order to turn the page to put all of this behind us, we are going to voluntarily pay back my living expenses related to the house we have in Ottawa."

Duffy said the controversy has nothing to do with his eligibility to represent the province of P.E.I. as a senator.

"I'm an island resident and I'm entitled to be a senator; I've met all of those requirements," he said.

"The question really is one of accounting, how much time are you here, how much time are you there."

Duffy is being audited along with fellow senators Pamela Wallin, Mac Harb and Patrick Brazeau following questions about their housing expense claims.

Duffy in particular has faced questions about \$33,000 in living allowances he has claimed since 2010, despite also having a home in the Ottawa area. Critics have questioned whether his primary residence is indeed a cottage in Cavendish, P.E.I., as he has repeatedly stated.

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LeBreton said.

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The Constitution requires senators to reside in the provinces they are appointed to represent.

Earlier this week, Duffy said he rents a home in Charlottetown during the winter \_ in addition to his house in Cavendish \_ so he can have quicker access to care in case of a medical emergency.

He said Canadians know him as an 'honest man" who wouldn't cheat on his expenses.

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From:

Wright, Nigel

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February 22, 2013 7:01 PM

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Woodcock, Chris

Subject:

RE: Hard copy will be faxed monday. Letter to sen tkachuk

thx

----Original Message----

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: February 22, 2013 6:58 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

Subject: Fw: Hard copy will be faxed monday. Letter to sen tkachuk

Fyi

---- Original Message ----

From: mdduffy@aol.com [mailto:mdduffy@aol.com]

Sent: Friday, February 22, 2013 06:37 PM

To: David Tkachuk < TKACHD@SEN.PARL.GC.CA>; David Tkachuk < SHAVEK@SEN.PARL.GC.CA>; Carolyn

Stewart Olsen <5.carolynso@gmail.com>

Cc: Mike Duffy <mdduffy@aol.com>

Subject: Hard copy will be faxed monday. Letter to sen tkachuk

Senator David Tkachuk,

Chair of the Standing Senate Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration

February 22, 2013

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Sincerely,

Hon. Mike Duffy

Senator, Cavendish PEI

Sent wirelessly from my BlackBerry device on the Bell network. Envoyé sans fil par mon terminal mobile BlackBerry sur le réseau de Bell.

n:

Woodcock, Chris

To: Subject: February 26, 2013 11:53 AM MacDougall, Andrew; Wright, Nigel RE: Today's target - for Fife too

Wallin is trying to find a back door into Caucus. Duffy intends to say he has made his intentions clear and that he will pay the balance when the committee gets back to him.

----Original Message----From: MacDougall, Andrew Sent: 2013-02-26 11:50 AM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Wright, Nigel Subject: Today's target - for Fife too

@mikelecouteur: Senator Dennis Patterson, fleeing reporters, says he does live in Nunavut and he's complying with the committee audit #SenCa

Andrew MacDougall

Director of Communications | Directeur des communications PMO | CPM

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From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** February 26, 2013 12:52 PM

To: van Hemmen, David; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Duffy

Marjory told me. I am beyond furious. This will all be repaid.

From: van Hemmen, David

**Sent:** February 26, 2013 11:28 AM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Duffy

Senator Tkachuk just called. He received an email from the Clerk, Gary O'Brien, apologizing and stating that Senator Duffy also charged meals (per diems) and taht the actual amount owed will be in the \$80 K range. He apologized for misleading us and has spoken to Chris M as well. Unbelievable.

David



Re: Deal

i message

Nigel Wright <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>
To: Mike Duffy <mdduffy@aol.com>

26 February 2013 21:16

I can't figure out why the RCMP would have anything to do with this - unless there is clear fraud, which I have never heard.

On 26 February 2013 21:14, <mdduffy@aol.com> wrote:

A news reporter (can't remember who) said tonight on tv that the libs want the rcmp to investigate senators. Maybe that's the holdup. I assume if that happens sens debane and zimmer will be on the rcmp list? Mike Sent wirelessly from my BlackBerry device on the Bell network.

Envoyé sans fil par mon terminal mobile BlackBerry sur le réseau de Bell.

From: nt: Wright, Nigel

February 27, 2013 11:36 AM

'Stewart Olsen, Carolyn'; Woodcock, Chris

Subject:

RE: Letter to Duffy

Thank you Senator.

----Original Message----

From: Stewart Olsen, Carolyn [mailto:stewac@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: February 27, 2013 11:35 AM
To: Woodcock, Chris; Wright, Nigel

Subject: Letter to Duffy

Has been prepared and in front of us for review. Simply a total to be replayed. App \$90 thousand.

Also We (steering) are meeting with Marj and Cowan at 12:15today. Re plans for Tkachuk Statement in Senate - in house residency review results on Thursday (if it is ready). Will send a final for your review when we have it. I have asked that all recommendations be reviewed with possible outcomes as the focus - before going public.

Sent from my iPad

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** February 27, 2013 3:44 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

Thanks.

From: Wright, Nigel
Sent: 2013-02-27 3:41 PM
To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

**Subject:** Re: Senator Duffy

It is.

**From:** Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 03:24 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

I recall that chain and made that point to her repeatedly. I just wanted to make sure that this large amount owing is okay.

From: Wright, Nigel
Sent: 2013-02-27 3:22 PM
To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

I am running into a meeting shortly so don't have time to find the email exchanges you and I had last week Ben, but her initial draft of points requested that the Committee give Mike a clean bill of health on all expense-related matters. My advice to you is that we make clear to them that neither we nor the Committee could make such a broad statement and that it would have to relate to that which we knew about, and which was in issue, which related to the claim of secondary residence.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 27, 2013 3:18 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

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Nigel: before I get back to her, I was wondering what you meant by "We were unable to offer any assurances about any other past expenses" in this context.

Chris/Patrick: can you offer any insights on when the Deloitte letter is likely?

From: Wright, Nigel Sent: 2013-02-27 2:34 PM To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

Well, there are really two parts to the answer. The first is that your exchange with Janice last week settled the point that his reimbursement of expenses related to claims that Kanata was not his primary residence would settle issues to date relating to his claims that Kanata was not his primary residence. We were unable to offer any assurances about any other past expenses. I think that we should be able to maintain this rather straightforward confirmation. As for it coming from Sen. Tkachuk, or the Committee, which is the second point, I believe that they will be receiving a draft letter from Deloitte very soon regarding Mike. It is my understanding that the letter will take the position that Deloitte's examination of those matters was rendered moot by Sen. Duffy's commitment to repay the related expenses. If the letter comes quite soon, then perhaps Sen. Duffy would wait to see it before submitting his cheque. I think he would be well-advised to make his repayment fairly promptly, but he could seek to ascertain through Chris or Patrick when the Deloitte letter regarding him is expected.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 27, 2013 11:47 AM

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

**Subject:** FW: Senator Duffy

Importance: High

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How would you like me to respond?

From: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

**Sent:** 2013-02-27 11:35 AM

**To:** Perrin, Benjamin **Cc:** Christine King **Subject:** Senator Duffy

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Regards,



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February 27, 2013

The Honourable Michael Duffy, Senator The Senate of Canada Room 367-E, Center Block Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Dear Senator Duffy:

In response to your letter of February 22, in which you inform the Steering Committee of your intention to repay the housing allowance that has been paid to date, the detailed breakdown is as follows:

Fiscal Year	Amount Paid
	(\$)
2008-2009	6,268.15
2009-2010	19,959.65
2010-2011	17,989.04
2011-2012	19,989.58
2012-2013	17,126.12
Total Capital	81,332.54
Interest	\$8,839.70
Total amount	\$90,172.24

The Steering Committee has established the interest to be paid at a rate of prime plus 1%, to be calculated annually on March 31. Accordingly, the total interest portion of the repayment is \$8,839.70. To reiterate, as of February 26, 2013 interest plus capital represents a total of \$90,172.24.

Sincerely,

Hon. David Tkachuk, Chair

c.c.: Hon. George J. Furey

Hon. Carolyn Stewart-Olsen

Gary W. O'Brien

From:

Wright, Nigel

Sent:

February 27, 2013 5:49 PM

To:

Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy

I believe we can assert that the Committee will not purport to speak to residency for qualification

purposes. My understanding is that it will report on the documents Senators provided.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 05:47 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy

Thanks. Patrick: what about the Committee mention in her email?

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 05:46 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy

I agree. Our position on qualification requirements is the one thing we can be definitive about.

From: Wright, Nigel Sent: 2013-02-27 5:45 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy

The PM was definitive in QP today on qualification.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 05:42 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

**Subject**: Urgent: Senator Duffy

See below. Patrick can you advise?

**From:** Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 05:18 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Christine King < Christine.King@nelligan.ca>

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Are you able to update me on my message below?

Senator Duffy has been led to believe that the Committee on Internal Economy is expected to bring down a report on the residency requirements for Senators tomorrow. If so, this strikes us as the ideal time to address bullet #2 re no doubt about the fact that Senator Duffy meets all constitutional requirements to sit as PEI senator.

I look forward to hearing from you shortly.

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From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** February 27, 2013 5:58 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick, Wright, Nigel

Subject: Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy

Thanks. I have shared the quote in the meantime.

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 05:49 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin

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**Sent**: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 05:46 PM **To**: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy

I agree. Our position on qualification requirements is the one thing we can be definitive about.

From: Wright, Nigel Sent: 2013-02-27 5:45 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy

The PM was definitive in QP today on qualification.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 05:42 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Urgent: Senator Duffy

See below. Patrick can you advise?

From: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 05:18 PM Eastern Standard Time

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To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Christine King < Christine.King@nelligan.ca>

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

Are you able to update me on my message below?

Senator Duffy has been led to believe that the Committee on Internal Economy is expected to bring down a report on the residency requirements for Senators tomorrow. If so, this strikes us as the ideal time to address bullet #2 re no doubt about the fact that Senator Duffy meets all constitutional requirements to sit as PEI senator.

I look forward to hearing from you shortly.

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Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 11:47 AM

**To:** Janice Payne **Cc:** Christine King

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

Thanks, Janice. I will review and get back to you.

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**Sent:** 2013-02-27 11:35 AM

**To:** Perrin, Benjamin **Cc:** Christine King **Subject:** Senator Duffy

Good morning Benjamin.

I am attaching a letter that my client has just received from Senator Tkachuk. Please advise re next steps.

It is our view that Senator Duffy needs confirmation from Senator Tkachuk on behalf of the Internal Economy Committee that payment of this amount will fully resolve any concern about his expenses to date and that he will be withdrawn from the Deloitte audit. He needs this assurance prior to payment.

Coincidentally I have just had an email from Mr. Timm of Deloitte asking when I will be back to him about when Mr. Duffy will be providing a list of material that they have requested.

I am tied up between 12 and 2 but otherwise reachable today.

Regards,

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#### First Report

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Respectfully submitted,

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To: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

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Thank you Chris.

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Talked to Tkachuk. He is meeting Deloitte tomorrow.

This was indeed a raucous meeting.

He initially described the report we saw as an "interim report." He didn't object to any of our changes. He says the ongoing audit would be followup to the recommendations in the report he wants to table tomorrow. This work would include rule changes and procedures, but would not include additional digging into senators.

I objected to the word "interim" and said they need to position this as the Committee's (only) report on senators' residency for expense purposes. They need to close the book on individual senators (with the exception of the external audits as already understood). The committee will followup on the recommendations, but this report can't be step one of many. He has committed to this and to showing me any changes they want to make to the report before it is adopted.

I believe the dispute tonight involved the Senate Administration arguing that LeBreton and Cowan asked for an "audit" and that the report can't be called a full audit. I think we need more detail on exactly what kind of additional work they are planning.

I am at wits end with the drama and agendas at play in the chamber of sober second thought.

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**To:** Perrin, Benjamin; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick **Subject:** RE: QP Closed Captioning Transcript - 2013-02-27

I foresee the Deloitte statement being made in the report it provides to the Senate subcommittee and then, on that basis, Sen. Tkachuk on behalf of the Subcommittee would inform Sen. Duffy. That said, we are not in total control of how that Subcommittee does its work, so we should not over-commit on modalities at this stage. As I said before in these email exchanges, if I were Sen. Duffy I would not release my cheque until I have seen something from the Subcommittee on that.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: February 28, 2013 9:22 AM

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Janice and I spoke. She seemed satisfied and will send information for wiring the funds.

Patrick/Rogers: she will follow-up with me later today on status re: the Deloitte audit being moot. Would that letter come from Deloitte or Sen. T? Obviously, the preference would be for such a letter to be obtained prior to payment, but if that will happen only after payment, we need to know. At any rate, that was a key point in the understanding we have with Senator Duffy.

From: Wright, Nigel Sent: 2013-02-27 8:14 PM

**To:** Perrin, Benjamin; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick **Subject:** RE: QP Closed Captioning Transcript - 2013-02-27

Ben, I do find this frustrating. There is a letter from the Subcommittee stating precisely what expenses are owed relating to the primary residence claim. Once those are paid, the Subcommittee can scarcely say that it got its amount wrong and needs more. Does Janice truly understand that if Mike has improperly charged for travel on Senate business when no Senate business actually took place that we cannot now say to him that those expenses are in order?

Withdrawal of Deloitte is as we noted earlier – I agree that the Subcommittee has to do its work on that. Chris and Patrick are following the status of that. By "the \$ arrangements", I will arrange for the amount to be wired to Janice Payne in trust. Presumably Mike knows or can find out how to remit the proper amount to the Senate?

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** February 27, 2013 8:09 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

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See below.

**From**: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2013 07:53 PM Eastern Standard Time

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Essentially we need confirmation expenses are in order, withdrawal from Deloitte and the \$ arrangements.

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Can you clarify what you are precisely looking for from us at this time? I understand that the process is underway.

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**To**: 'janice.payne@nelligan.ca' <janice.payne@nelligan.ca> **Subject**: Re: QP Closed Captioning Transcript - 2013-02-27

We are looking into it.

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Thank you for this. When can I expect a response on the other outstanding matters noted in my email earlier today?

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# **Question Period**

## **Today**

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Thomas Mulcair: Mr. Speaker, over the past few days, I've had the opportunity to meet with several native leaders who are greatly concerned by Conservative cuts in First Nations police services. The Prime Minister is trampling on treaty rights. He has decreased the Canadian responsibility towards First Nations. These communities must be able to count on quality police services. Will the Prime Minister respect Canada's obligations, the crown's obligations towards First Nations or will he continue to cut First Nations police services?

The speaker: The right honourable the Prime Minister.

Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper: That statement is completely false. We did not cut any services. On the contrary, Mr. Speaker. As we have already indicated, we will announce shortly our position with regard to those services and the funding of those services.

The speaker: The honourable leader of the opposition. (End of translation)

Thomas Mulcair: an independent judiciary is fundamental to the rule of law. The Minister of finance has been caught illegally lobbying an independent tribunal. The Prime Minister says it's just an administrative error. A letterhead malfunction but the finance Minister wasn't using his title and signature on behalf of a constituent from Oshawa. He was lobbying in his role as Minister on behalf of a Conservative donor from north York. Can the Prime Minister explain how an administrative error leads a senior cabinet member to lobby illegally on behalf of a Conservative party donor? (Applause)

The speaker: The right honourable Prime Minister.

Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper: Mr. Speaker, of course I've already answered this question, and I think the circumstances speak for themselves. As I will say once again that the Minister of finance has been doing a tremendous job for Canadians and is widely viewed around the world as the best finance Minister... (Applause)

The speaker: The honourable leader of the opposition.

Thomas Mulcair: Mr. Speaker, he still hasn't answered the question. 16 Conservative Senators, Mr. Speaker, 16 Conservative Senators are still refusing to provide evidence that they actually live in the provinces they're supposed to represent.15 Of those were appointed by this Prime Minister. In their 8th year of broken promises, this is the Conservative record on Senate reform. Will the Prime Minister demand that his Senators, members of his caucus, come clean with Canadians or is he going to keep covering up for them? (Applause)

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The speaker: The honourable member for hull.

Nycole Turmel (NDP): Where is the reform Senate bill? We're still waiting for it. It's been a year now. Mr. Speaker, documents from the human resources department prove that the Minister misled the house but that's not the end of the quota story. New revelations indicate that e.I. Inspectors are evaluated on a weekly basis and that they are warmly congratulated if they cut \$2,500 at a time. It even appears they get performance bonuses. The way this department is run is disgusting. Will the Minister immediately stop her reform? (Applause)

the speaker: The right honourable the Prime Minister.

Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper: The Senate reform bill is bill c-7, so since we have arrived at power, we have introduced this bill 17 times. The NDP has blocked the bill, so I would encourage unanimous consent of the chamber to adopt the bill today. (Applause)

the speaker: The honourable member for hull-aylmer.

Nycole Turmel (NDP): Mr. Speaker, let's leave job seekers alone. Rather, let's go after fraudsters in the Senate. Everybody knows that quotas and objectives are the same thing. Everybody knows that regional economies are in a vulnerable situation because of the botched reform. Seasonal industry workers do not deserve to be treated with the disdain shown by Conservatives. The Minister has heard from mayors, reeves, and workers who have implored her to end her dangerous experience. When will she listen to them?

The speaker: The honourable Minister for human resources.

Diane Finley: Mr. Speaker, we are working to ensure that employment insurance is there for people who play by the rules and who contribute to the system. Mr. Speaker, first-line staff and managers at service Canada who are unionized do not receive any bonuses. The pay for the integrity officers is no different from pay given to the executive level employees elsewhere in the public service.

the speaker: Honourable member for Toronto centre. (Voice of translator)

Bob Rae: Mr. Speaker, regarding the response of the Minister, can the Prime Minister confirm that there are bonus systems in place in the department that these employees receive bonuses if they get recover or cut benefits, e.I. Benefits? Does the government not recognize that they are doing things which have no precedent, the chamber of commerce and many other people are against the government's proposals, Mr. Speaker.

The speaker: The right honourable the Prime Minister.

Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper: Mr. Speaker, it is important, it is essential, that unemployed workers who have paid into the e.I. Fund have the ability to receive benefits when they need them. Of course, Mr. Speaker, when illegal or inappropriate payments have been made, it is essential to detect them. As for the nature of pay or compensation in the public service, in all departments, some managers get performance pay and this is the same in every department. (End of translation)

the speaker: The honourable member for Toronto centre. (Voice of translator)

Bob Rae: the Prime Minister has just confirmed what we have been saying for three days, that is, employees get incentive-based pay. It is based on the money they get from the unemployed Canadians. This is unacceptable. Does the Prime Minister not recognize something else, that in Canada's regional economies, in Canada's provinces, what the government is doing is down shifting the burden and the debt and the economic crisis of the federal level down on to the backs of the provinces and the provinces ultimately will have to pay more in welfare payments? (End of translation)

the speaker: The right honourable Prime Minister. (Voice of translator).

Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper: That is absolutely, absolutely not true, it is contrary to what is happening. Employment insurance is there for people who have lost their jobs. For people who need these benefits. Our actions and the actions of our employees are there to ensure that the e.I. Fund is being used the way it is supposed to be use, that is, for workers that have contributed premiums into the fund. (End of translation)

the speaker: Honourable member for Toronto centre.

Bob Rae: Mr. Speaker, there are two ways in which the government is passing the burden on from the

federal government to the provinces. It's very clear -- it's very clear how it's being done. It's very clear what the impact is. It's very clear that all you're doing is creating a greater demand for social assistance and a greater demand for welfare at the same time as the government cuts its employment insurance. That's exactly what the government --

the speaker: Order. Order. There's far too much noise going on. The honourable member for Toronto centre has the floor. I'm having difficulty hearing the question. The honourable member for Toronto centre.

Bob Rae: I seem to have stirred up the other side, Mr. Speaker. That's fine. They need waking up. But what is taking place is not only an affront to the workers, it's not only an affront to the chambers of commerce, it's not only an affront to business groups and others which are now coming forward, it's an affront to the nature of the federation itself. All the government is doing is saving money on the backs of the provinces and on the backs of working people.

The speaker: The right honourable Prime Minister.

Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper: Well, Mr. Speaker, absolutely nothing could be farther from the truth. We ensure in our system that when the unemployed, when people have paid into the system, they cannot find jobs in their area that correspond to their abilities, that employment insurance will be there for them. That is precisely what we're doing. We're also making greater efforts to help the unemployed to be able to get jobs when jobs are available and, of course, Mr. Speaker, we're making sure there are not inappropriate payments from the fund taken from workers who paid legitimately into that fund, we're making sure it goes to workers and the unemployed who legitimately need it.

The speaker: The honourable leader of the opposition.

Thomas Mulcair: Mr. Speaker, a few minutes ago, the Prime Minister turned around to his house leader to get information on bill c-7. He might have looked at the wrong date because it was indeed on February 27th that this bill was last debated but that's today, you see, it was one year ago today that we actually debated this bill for the last time. They have done nothing in the meantime. Prime Minister wants unanimous consent. Here it is. Start working with the provinces and territories to abolish the Senate. You'll get unanimous consent from us. (Applause)

The speaker: Order. Order. The right honourable Prime Minister.

Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper: Of course, Mr. Speaker, here's the dodge from the leader of the NDP. He doesn't want to have an elected Senate so he tries to turn it over, say get the provinces to do it, so he can hide behind the various premiers, Mr. Speaker, knowing that that isn't going to happen. The reality is this, Mr. Speaker, we know that what he really wants, the reason the NDP has 17 times in this house blocked this piece of legislation is because they don't want elected Senators, because they want to appoint their own. But guess what, Mr. Speaker, the people of Canada are never going to give them that chance. (Cheering and applause)

the speaker: Order. (Voice of translator) the honourable member for trois-rivieres.

Robert Aubin (NDP): Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The speaker: The honourable member for trois-rivieres.

Robert Aubin (NDP): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Canadians expect from their federal government that it fully assume its responsibilities in the area of transportation security and that it protect Canadians with the highest safety standards. Unfortunately, the security budget for airline travel, for instance, will go down by \$17 million and marine and rail security budgets will also be cut as investigations on the Burlington derailment and on the miss ally fishing vessel are still ongoing, why are Conservatives cutting programs designed to prevent this kind of accident?

The speaker: Honourable Minister for transportation.

Denis Lebel: Mr. Speaker, we are maintaining our essential services, and we have not cut any front-line inspectors. None have been cut. In fact, we are improving airline security, the number of airline accidents has gone down by 25% since 2007, train derailments have gone down by 37%, Mr. Speaker. These are excellent results, and we will continue to rigorously ensure transportation safety. (End of translation)

Olivia Chow (NDP): the Conservative planned cuts will make travelers less safe. In the air, on the water, or riding the rails. The Minister has repeatedly ignored recommendations from the transportation safety board. He just won't implement their recommendations. And they're cutting transport Canada's budget by almost 3%. 30%. Mr. Speaker, Canadians are travelling more than ever so how can the Minister possibly justify these drastic cuts to transportation safety?

The speaker: The honourable Minister of transport.

Denis Lebel: Mr. Speaker, we maintain our core function, and we have not cut any front-line safety inspectors. The reality is we have improved safety travelers. The number of aviation accidents fell by 25% since 2000. And while air travel increased significantly, and since 2007, train accident decrease by 23% and train derailment decrease by 27%.

Malcolm Allen (NDP):Mr. Speaker, making up stories doesn't change the facts. They have cut services to Canadians while increasing -- where do they increase the spending? In the Senate, of course. In the spending plans they tabled yesterday, Mr. Speaker, we learned of more cuts to food safety. This is the same government that brought us the largest meat recall in Canadian history. Reduced meat inspections, ignored compliance orders, and increased self-regulation, why are they gambling with Canadians' health and why are these wreckless cuts coming to Canada's food safety system?

The speaker: The honourable Minister of agriculture.

Gerry Ritz: Of course, Mr. Speaker, absolutely none of that die a tribe is true. It's well-known the main estimates don't include department total budgets for the year. That's why they're called estimates, Mr. Speaker. The member opposite should know that. There are supplementary estimates throughout the year that continue to build the capacity for cfia and other departments to do the job that Canadians require of them.

The speaker: The honourable member for parkdale-high park. (Voice of translator)

Peggy Nash (NDP): Mr. Speaker, they are cutting food security but increasing the budget of the Senate. They are cutting a billion dollars from the infrastructure budget but they are increasing the budget of the department of propaganda. Not to mention the fact that via rail's budget will be cut by half. There's more money for friends of the party and for advertising and less money for services to Canadians. Are the main estimates for a taste of what we can expect in the next budget?

The speaker: The honourable president of the treasury board. (End of translation)

Tony Clement: -- already indicated and as the honourable members should know and do know, the estimates are not the budget. The estimates are a base line that is used to -- for planning purposes. The budget is the budget. And of course we will continue to fulfill our responsibilities when it comes to health and safety and the core programs of the federal government. We will continue to build jobs, opportunity and economic prosperity for our country. That is what the budget is about. And we will continue to stand with Canadians.

The speaker: The honourable member for parkdale-high park.

Peggy Nash (NDP): Well, for a refreshing change, let's look at the facts. Conservatives are cutting services that Canadians rely on and spending more on the Senate. Infrastructure spending is down almost 25%. While our communities face crumbling roads and bridges. And while the rest of the world invests in rail, Conservatives are cutting via rail in half. Will the next budget be more of the same, more money for Senate cronies, more money for well-connected friends, and less for the services and safety programs that Canadians rely on?

The speaker: The honourable Minister of transport. (Voice of translator)

Denis Lebel: Mr. Speaker, as I said previously, we cut no front-line inspector. When it comes to transportation of this country, our history. We're investing where it is important, and the infrastructure program as announced shows that it will go from 2007 until the forecast and there are no cuts, so, Mr. Speaker, never has the government invested as much in the infrastructures of this country.

The speaker: The honourable member.

Anne-Marie Day (NDP): Through budget choices consist in thanking the party friends and cutting services to Canadians. The Minister's attacks against the unemployed or rather against job seekers are as arrogant as they are incompetent. The Minister has not consulted groups of unemployed, provinces or seasonal industries. The Minister has not even -- did not even do an impact study. A government which makes changes without knowing what the impacts will be is an amateur and Conservative government. Why has the Minister not done her homework before implementing her reform?

The speaker: The honourable Minister for human resources.

Diane Finley: Mr. Speaker, the main objective of our government is the economy and job creation as well as long-term prosperity. In order to achieve these goals, we need to match workers with jobs, with employers. We need to support people, though, who, through no fault of their own, lose their jobs, and that's why the e.I. System is there. That is why we are conducting these reforms, to help people get back to work with the skills they need.

The speaker: The honourable member.

Philip Toone (NDP): Mr. Speaker, the question was on the impact of e.I. Reform but the Minister has confirmed that she did not do her homework and the ideological attack against e.I. Is not only hypocritical but it's bad public policy. Experts agree, a poll of economists reveal that most of them believe that e.I. Reforms will not bring down unemployment. Three quarters of them are against the aggressive measures imposed by Conservatives. Why are Conservatives not listening to the experts instead of attacking seasonal workers?

The speaker: The honourable Minister.

Diane Finley: Mr. Speaker, let's be clear. For seasonal workers, if there is no work in their region, in their field, e.I. Will be there for them as always. But, Mr. Speaker, there is a lack of workers, a lack of skilled workers everywhere in this country, and that's why we have widened the job alert system and our supports for the unemployed, to help match them with available jobs. (End of translation)

The speaker: The honourable member.

Chris Charlton (NDP): Mr. Speaker, today seasonal workers showed up at the Minister's door to tell her exactly what they think of her short sighted cuts to e.I. When I look out at them in Ottawa here today, I don't see fraudsters and cheats. I see honest, hard-working seasonal workers who want the Minister to complain why she's coming after them. I see workers from seasonal industries threatened by politically-driven Conservative cuts. When will the Minister call off her witch hunt, cancel her unfair cuts, and finally start listening to the industries, provinces, and people affected? (Applause)

The speaker: The honourable Minister of human resources.

Diane Finley: Mr. Speaker, we do know that Canadians want to work. And that's why we've expanded the e.I. System to help them find the jobs that are available within their skill sets in their geographic area. Mr. Speaker, we do have a shortage of skills and labour in this country, many parts of it, and that's why we're working hard to connect those who have lost their jobs through no fault of their own with the jobs that are there for them. If jobs are not available in their local area, then employment insurance will be there for those people and their families as it always has been.

The speaker: Honourable member for York west.

Judy Sgro (LPC): Mr. Speaker, we all know the Prime Minister's view that seniors should work longer and harder to qualify for their old age pension. But seniors want it know why they're being forced to take on more debt because the government is unwilling to help them. Conservatives waste millions of dollars to advertise its so-called economic action plan, but offers only cuts for working-class families and seniors. Why does the Conservative vision for prosperity and success exclude Canada's seniors?

The speaker: The honourable Minister of state for seniors.

Alice Wong: Mr. Speaker, when it comes to seniors' poverty, our government has a record we can be proud of. Canada has one of the lowest senior poverty rates in the world thanks in part to actions which include removing hundreds of thousands of seniors from the tax rolls completely, making significant investment in affordable housing for low-income seniors and introducing the largest increase in a quarter century. Mr. Speaker, Canadians know they can count on our government to deliver for seniors.

The speaker: The honourable member for Charlottetown.

Sean Casey (LPC): Mr. Speaker, yesterday, the treasury board Minister, a man deeply committed to wasting taxpayers' money, advocated spending tens of millions of dollars on advertising in order to tell Canadians what a great job they're doing unravelling Canada's social safety net. Meanwhile, his friend, the Minister of veterans' affairs, is cutting funding for veterans' funerals as the propaganda budget grows. Why do Conservatives choose propaganda over the dignity of a veteran's funeral?

The speaker: The honourable Minister of veterans affairs.

Steven Blaney: Well, Mr. Speaker, contrary to the Liberal who have cut the programs and benefits to veterans, let me assure you that we are bringing investment to our veterans at record level. And regarding precisely the funeral and burial program, don't take my word for it, but listen to this. These measures were adopted to ensure that the delivery of the funeral and burial program for our veterans remains at its present level of quality. Who said that? The last -- ten months ago.

The speaker: The honourable member for kings-hants.

Scott Brison (LPC): Mr. Speaker, the Martin government spent \$45 million a year on advertising, which is half what the current Conservative --

The speaker: Order. Order. The honourable member for kings-hants has the floor. I'd like to hear the question. The honourable member for kings-hants.

Scott Brison (LPC): Mr. Speaker, the Martin government spent less than half what this Conservative government is spending on advertising every year. I know that because I was Minister responsible and the Conservatives should know that because it's in their own government advertising report. So why is the treasury board Minister repeating, as he did yesterday, misinformation in this house? Is it because he doesn't know his files or is he trying to mislead Canadians?

The speaker: The honourable president of the treasury board.

Tony Clement: Well, Mr. Speaker, I know it was a long time in the distant past when he was in government, Mr. Speaker, but the facts do speak for themselves, \$111 million in their last year, we're spending tens of millions of dollars less. And in fact I remember when that particular fox king-hant's was in charge of the hen house, they were spending tens of millions of dollars more on advertising, he was up in this house saying wait for gomery, when we questioned their advertising budget, he said wait for gomery, we waited and we still want to know, where's the 40 million bucks! (Cheering and applause)

the speaker: Order. Order. Order. The honourable member for timmins-James bay.

Charlie Angus (NDP): Well, speaking of gomery, yesterday, Senator Patterson of no fixed address was the latest Senator caught doing the mike Duffy shuffle out the back door. Seems you can't turn on a TV without catching a Senator running from accountability. So much for reform. We now have 17 Senators reviewed to see if they're eligible to be in the Senate, 15 personally appointed by this Prime Minister. So how many are under investigation, how much money have they had to pay back, are there going to be consequences for ripping off the taxpayers and will the Conservatives stop defending the entitlements of these Senators?

The speaker: Order. Order. The honourable parliamentary secretary to the Minister of transport.

Pierre Poilievre (CPC): Mr. Speaker, because that question has already been answered let me take occasion to celebrate some non-fiction Canadian literature. I'm reading a page turner filled with political intrigue, back-room dirty deals, and blatant hypocrisy and the storing character is the member for Timmins. The title is the independent electoral boundary commission for Ontario. And it says of him, this was the first hint of what the commission considers to be inappropriate involvement by the member of parliament in electoral redistribution process. Let him explain that. (Cheering and applause)

The speaker: Order. Order. The honourable member for timmins-James bay.

Charlie Angus (NDP): Well, Mr. Speaker, trying to stone me --

The speaker: Order. Order. The honourable member for timmins-James bay has the floor. We need a little bit of order. Honourable member for timmins-James bay.

Charlie Angus (NDP): Well, Mr. Speaker, trying to stone me to death with popcorn doesn't change the fact that it's their Senators under investigation, Canadians are fed up. An arrest warrant has now been issued for Arthur porter, charged with fraud, conspiracy to commit fraud, fraud against government, breach of trust, money laundering. Mr. Porter was personally chosen by this Prime Minister to be the chair of the security intelligence review committee. So what's with that? When will the government come clean about their relationship with Mr. Porter?

The speaker: The honourable parliamentary secretary.

Pierre Poilievre (CPC): By lecturing on ethics that member is making great progress in his effort to make the world a safer place for hypocrisy. I read right here from this report that says of him, this was the first hint of what the commission considers to be inappropriate involvement by a member of parliament in the electoral redistribution process. Mr. Speaker, it's clear that Charlie's no angel. (Laughter) (applause)

The speaker: Order. Order. The parliamentary secretary knows -- order. Order. The parliamentary secretary knows he can't use proper names but we refer to each other by their riding or title. We also need to stay away from some of the connotations that he may have been employing.

The speaker: the honourable member.

Eve Peclet (NDP): Another partisan appointment. Another friend of the Conservative party. Another friend of the Prime Minister who's in hot water. But for whom the Conservatives refuse to accept responsibility over these antics, like Brazeau, Wallin, Duffy in the Senate, porter was the Conservatives' man at CSIS The Conservative party benefited from generous contributions from porter and they paid him back. But today, he's facing a host of charges for his involvement in one of the biggest scandals, corruption scandals, in Canadian history. When will the Conservatives admit that they showed a lack of judgment when they appointed porter to CSIS?

The speaker: The honourable Minister.

Vic Toews: Mr. Porter submitted his resignation, it was accepted almost two years ago, but the leaders of the NDP and the Liberal party were consulted prior to his appointment, and they consented to the appointment. The allegations that Mr. Porter is facing do not have anything to do with his former responsibilities.

The speaker: The honourable member.

Eve Peclet (NDP): It's always easy for them to accuse people looking for a job to be fraudsters but it's complicated for them to admit that the fraudsters are in their own party. Oh, and that reminds me, I want to get back to the Senate. Despite the revelations that are coming up with respect to the residency scandal, travel costs, et cetera, the Conservatives are continuing to defend their Senators tooth and nail. 15 Of them appointed by this Prime Minister and paid out of public funds to raise partisan funds are refusing to say where they live. How much money did Pamela Wallin reimburse? When did the Prime Minister learn about it? And what are the consequences?

The speaker: The honourable government house leader. (End of translation)

Peter Van Loan: Mr. Speaker, our government introduced a concrete proposal to allow Canadians to make the Senate truly accountable by choosing who represents them in the Senate. And what has happened when we've had that bill debated in the house? Blocked 17 times by NDP members of parliament, including, for example, the member for there, and what should they say, that member said, the bill the Conservative government has introduced is a travesty of democratic reform and an affront to Canadians' intelligence, an affront to Canadians' intelligence. That's what the NDP gets a standing ovation for. (Applause)

The speaker: Order. I've asked members before to wait until the response is finished before they start their applause. I don't think the Minister quite finished his response... (Mixed talking) we'll have to look at getting rid of coffee at caucus meetings because today is not going as smoothly as other days. The honourable member for whereas.

Blake Richards (CPC): Under the leadership of our Conservative government, Canada has become a leader in a troubled economy. We have the lowest debt burden. Over 900,000 net new jobs since July of 2009. Not only that, but the IMF and the oecd forecast Canada to be among the fastest-growing g7 economies in the years ahead. Mr. Speaker, Canada is a model for the world. Can the parliamentary secretary share with this house the latest example of the recognition our economic leadership has received abroad?

The speaker: The honourable parliamentary secretary to the Minister of finance.

Shelly Glover (CPC): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to thank the member from wildrose for the question. And Canada is indeed being recognized around the world. Here is what the ceo of sisco systems, a leading global enterprise, had to say about the economic leadership of our Conservative government, and I quote, the easiest place in the world to do business is Canada. Their Prime Minister gets it. They make it easy for me to invest and do acquisitions there. They have a great education program, and they have a great immigration policy. End quote. But Mr. Speaker, while our plan attracts investment and creates jobs for Canadians, the NDP will harm that with a 21 billion-dollar... (Applause)

The speaker: Order, please. (Voice of translator) the honourable member.

Guy Caron (NDP): Mr. Speaker, the Minister of human resources misled the house by denying the existence of e.I. Quotas and she continues to do so, by repeating ad nauseum that employment insurance will be there for people who need it, except she put an end to a pilot project that offered additional five weeks in regions where the unemployment rate is higher. She's also chopped another private project which is forcing workers to work longer hours to be eligible for a shorter benefit period, so many workers, in fact, who are in seasonal jobs will lose between one and three months of benefits without employment income. Employment insurance won't be there for them so will she apologize to the people who are victims of these changes?

The speaker: The honourable Minister.

Diane Finley: Mr. Speaker, we have said on several occasions that when we announced the additional five-week pilot project, that it was a temporary project. To go through the recession, the global recession. Times have changed, Mr. Speaker. And the system and we played changes to help unemployed people, to help them find jobs in their regions and in their area.

The speaker: The honourable member.

Jonathan Tremblay (NDP): That's ridiculous. For months and months now, workers, employers, and representatives of my region have been trying to meet with the Minister and get her to listen to reason. Gutting e.I. Will punish these people. She will also deprive industries of precious expertise and the cost of training and loss of productivity will be huge. Poem in my riding realize that the Conservatives want to empty out our regions. After months of pressure, will the Minister finally meet with regional representatives from these affected areas? Will she listen to them and act accordingly?

The speaker: The honourable Minister.

Diane Finley: Mr. Speaker, that is exactly what I've been doing for quite some time, Mr. Speaker. We have continued to work to help people, to connect them with jobs that are available. It's better for them, better for society, for the communities. It's a good thing, Mr. Speaker.

The speaker: The honourable member.

Francois Lapointe (NDP): They really need to be disconnected from seasonal industries. The Minister is incapable of admitting her reform is counterproductive for smes. She is inviting people who are unemployed in my riding to take out a row boat and row 31 kilometres to get somewhere for a job. She's ignoring what the Quebec tourism industry is calling for, i.E., That this reform be suspended. This is affecting many people. The Minister must live in a parallel universe if she thinks that gutting e.I. Is a good thing for workers. Will she put an end to this botched reform today?

Diane Finley: NO TEXT

Yvon Godin (NDP): she's really making fun of people. People have had enough. Will she immediately put an end to this bad reform? She doesn't care about people at all.

The speaker: Order. The honourable Minister of human resources.

Diane Finley: Mr. Speaker, let's be reasonable. The system is in place to help people when they're looking for another job. That is the truth. Mr. Speaker, for employers, employees, and unemployed people, we need for them to ensure, to verify, to look and see that the money is there to ensure that people who are receiving ei are eligible. Thank you, mr. Speaker.

Stephane Dion (NDP): Mr. Speaker, we've just heard the Minister talk about ei. Will she at least listen to entrepreneurs who are saying that the reform will have the opposite impact? It will hinder seasonal employment. Will she listen for the groups, the gaspe chamber of commerce among others, the chamber of commerce for Cartier, the tourism association, all of these associations, the tourism association of Charlebois --

The speaker: the honourable Minister of human resources.

Diane Finley: Mr. Speaker, we need to invest in the system to help employers to find jobs with the required skills. Dish inaudible. The interpreter cannot hear the Minister. We want to try to connect people to the jobs that are available and if those positions around available, yeah, I will be available. (End of translation).

Rodger Cuzner (LPC): Mr. Speaker, first the human resource Minister throws a net around the entire

community, stops payment to anyone receiving ei claimants and has people showing up at the RCMP Station. Now she's placed a bounty on unemployment workers making reluctant civil servants go out and do her dirty work. It's like a bad episode of dog the bounty hunter. When in Canada do we go from investigation to intimidation? When did we do that?

The speaker: The honourable Minister of human resources.

Diane Finley: Mr. Speaker, let's inject some truth into this discussion, shall we? Mr. Speaker, the employment insurance system is there to support people while they're locking for another job. There are responsibilities to be actively looking for another job. Mr. Speaker, ei is paid for by employers and employees and we as a government owe it to them to make sure that eligible people are receiving those benefits. That shows respect for all of them.

Alexandrine Latendresse (NDP): Mr. Speaker, the bill on bilingualism will be put to a vote tonight but it's unfortunate that the Conservatives have forgotten all about the importance of this and the NDP had to come back with a bill on. It but they're not the only ones who, in fact, in a moment of weakness can a guy who was supported by trudeau doesn't speak a word of French. Account Conservatives ensure us that they will not delay the progress of c-419 in committee.

James Moore: Mr. Speaker, we will always seek people who are qualified for these positions, for qualifications where they're required to be bilingual. Which respect official languages and we have invested money over five years and we've seen success. Maurice kenny says we need to achieve that result. We have the results. We have an approach, we have the policies and we will continue to protect the fact that there are two official languages here in the house and in the country.

Alexandrine Latendresse (NDP): Mr. Speaker, if the Conservatives were serious about their approach to protecting the French language, they have to show some accountability on the progress for this bill that - or on the project, rather, for studying French in federally regulated companies. The member promised the creation of a committee of where's the committee? It's now 2013. Who will sit on the committee and what will its mandate be?

James Moore: The committee can make its own decision. I'm sure that the Minister will do what is necessary to perfect -- to protect official languages. End end (resuming in English) our approach to respecting both official languages is something that we are very proud. Here is the president of the -- she says, quote, we salute this government's commitment and thank you. She's a spokesperson who has come out time and again recognizing our government's efforts to protect the French in this country.

Wai Young (CPC): Mr. Speaker, Canada's aerospace and spacek tores are major contributors to our economy, providing good quality well-paying job to Canadians. Our government has a proven record of support and a report commissioned by our government. Mr. Emerson noted that the Canadian space industry is well positioned to take advantage of emerging opportunities to succeed commercially and to contribute to the public good. Canadians from coast to coast to coast are proud of these iconic national industries k the Minister of state for science and technology update the house on the latest developments in the spacek tore. Diagnose spacek tore.

Gary Goodyear: Thank you. I would like to thank the honourable member from Vancouver south for a relevant but tough question. It's true, Mr. Speaker. The Ministry of industry announced today, \$15.8 Million contract to medonnell whiler for a sophisticated mapping system demonstrating once again this government's commitment to Canada's space industry and to jobs, growth, and long-term prosperity of what would be very nice, Mr. Speaker, if the NDP would drop its political games and fear mongering agenda and help do something positive for Canadian industry.

The speaker: The honourable member for St. Paul.

Carolyn Bennett (LPC): Mr. Speaker, the facts are clear. Police forces are keeping their communities safer. Since 2004, violent crime down 19%. Homicides down 36%. Assaults down 20%. Alarmingly, this so-called law and order government is slashing \$15 million from the First Nations policing program. Will the Minister of public safety reassure First Nations today that the \$15 million of funding will be renewed before march 31st so they will not have to lay off the essential First Nations police.

The speaker: Honourable minister of public safety.

Vic Toews: The Prime Minister answered that question earlier in question period, but I find it interesting that this member is talking about improving safety for aboriginals, yet that member, her party opposes matrimonial real property rights for aboriginal women, tougher sentences for sexual assault, ending house arrest for serious crimes, tougher penalties for those who sell drugs to our children, and funding to keep young people out of gangs. We'll take no lesson from that party.

The speaker: The honourable member.

Ryan Cleary (NDP): Mr. Speaker, marine Atlantic ferry rates are increasing on April the 1st. The fee hikes spell trouble, damaging our crucial tourism industry. We just reached the \$1 billion mark, Mr. Speaker. The trucking industry has said they can't absorb the hike in commercial rates, higher costs will be passed on to consumers. The price of goods will most definitely increase of Mr. Speaker, why are the Conservatives pricing the ferries out of service and making life more expensive for Newfoundlanders and Labradorrians?

The speaker: The honourable Minister for.

Steven Fletcher: I thank the member for this question. This is actually the first question since the 2011 election on marine Atlantic. So that gives you an idea of how much the NDP actually care about marine Atlantic. In fact, the Conservative party under my predecessor, the member from yellowhead and the current foreign affairs Minister conducted an investment of capital that allowed marine Atlantic to acquire new ships, greater capacity, they're on time and there's faster entrance on to the boats and off the boats of marine Atlantic --

The speaker: The honourable member for scarborough-centre.

Roxanne James (CPC): Mr. Speaker, the NDP are at it again. Treating hard-earned taxpayer dollars like they simply grow on trees. Last week, they released a long, long list of demands for increased spending that would break the backs and empty the pockets of Canadian families. My constituents are worried. My colleagues here, my Conservative colleagues are worried. And Mr. Speaker, everyone else at home should be worried, too. Would the president of the treasury board please update this house how our government is standing up for hard working Canadian taxpayers.

The speaker: The honourable president of the treasury board.

Tony Clement: I thank the honourable member very much for that pertinent question. I can tell the house that we do know that the NDP are planning a brand new social program, even though this is on top of the \$12 billion the federal government deliveries to the provinces each year under the Canada social transfer. We know it's on top of the hundreds of millions of dollars the government spends on affordable housing and homelessness each and every year. We know the stills of the cost of their program would be

\$5.5 Billion. That's equivalent to a one-point hike in the gst, Mr. Speaker. We cannot allow that to pass.

The speaker: the honourable member?

Marie-Claude Morin (NDP): Mr. Speaker, the comments by the president of the treasury board considering the cost of my bill don't change anything of the fact they've been doing nothing for fur years, they've been going around in circles of 1.5 Million Canadian families don't have access to safe housing of we need a national strategy. They've got a tourniquet solution. All they have to do is vote for bill c-400. Mr. Mr. Speaker, what I want to know is if it the Conservatives will support affordable safe housing for Canadians. Yes or no.

Tony Clement: Mr. Speaker, as I indicated, this is on top of the social transfer, this is on top of the hundreds of millions of dollars we spend every year on the homelessness and housing programs, Mr. Speaker. Could it be the NDP is desperately trying to find ways to spend the money from their 21 billion-dollar carbon tax?

The speaker: the honourable member?

Jean-Francois Fortin (BQ): Mr. Speaker, today, all of eastern Quebec is in Ottawa to make a clear and intelligent plea to make it possible to understand the devastating effect of the ei reform. The striking examples provided by these workers and employers show the real impact of these rules. And the Minister must show them some openness and respect. The Minister of labour for Quebec will meet with the Minister today so the door is wide open. Will the Minister listen here and understand and respond to these legitimate requests today and show reform?

Diane Finley: Mr. Speaker, I will be meeting with the Minister this afternoon, the Quebec Minister to hear about these impacts. But the changes have been put in place to help people find another job, a better job. To help them improve the quality of lives for their families and that is a good thing, Mr. Speaker. It's an objective that we're going to continue to work towards.

The speaker: That concludes question period to today.

(End of Question Period)

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From: Subject: Wright, Nigel

March 1, 2013 6:43 AM

Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

FW: Re Senate Report

FYI

----Original Message----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 1, 2013 6:42 AM To: 'Stewart Olsen, Carolyn' Subject: RE: Re Senate Report

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Sent: March 1, 2013 6:34 AM

To: Wright, Nigel

Subject: Re Senate Report

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Sent from my iPad

## van Hemmen, David

From: ent: Woodcock, Chris 2013-03-01 7:25 AM

Subject:

Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

RE: Re Senate Report

Understood thank you.

----Original Message----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 1, 2013 7:21 AM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: FW: Re Senate Report

FYI. BTW, I will also be asking Irving Gerstein to help get this done.

----Original Message----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 1, 2013 7:21 AM To: 'Stewart Olsen, Carolyn' Subject: RE: Re Senate Report

Thanks Carolyn. I agree that the auditor (it's not really an audit) should report. But the report can be - if Kanata were a primary residence, here is how much would be owed. It shouldn't conclude that "Kanata is the primary residence", and it doesn't need to conclude that because Mike has committed to repay the money as if that were the case. I could use your help getting them to understand that and making it happen. N

----Original Message----

From: Stewart Olsen, Carolyn [mailto:stewac@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

ent: March 1, 2013 7:17 AM

o: Wright, Nigel

Subject: Re: Re Senate Report

Confidentially both Marj and David are telling each other the audit will not be pulled. I believe I can work with Dave but he does work Marj up. I am not certain if it is a feeling that they are independent or just not used to working together. I think the only way to do this is to tell Deloitte that we are satisfied with the repayment and end the audit. The non partisan nature of the committee is a problem as is the Clerk who seems to have his own agenda. Mind you it is a good agenda. He wants to clean up the place. In fairness Chris did talk to me about revisions but said he was talking to Dave so I left it. Checked with Dave later to see if they had spoken and was he ok with revisions and he said yes. I don't envy you your job. As I said though, if I had know from the start where we needed to finish it prob could have been managed.

Sent from my iPad

On Mar 1, 2013, at 6:42 AM, "Wright, Nigel" <Nigel.Wright@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:

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From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** March 1, 2013 2:18 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy

Thank you very much Ben.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** Friday, March 01, 2013 02:12 PM Eastern Standard Time **To:** Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy

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Done.

I have spoken with Janice and conveyed the information below to her (i.e. those aspects that you wanted conveyed, not the insider information).

I reiterated it is not acceptable for her to keep making statements that are broader than what we had as our understanding. She relented on that point.

For now, she has been placated, but I suspect will want more later. I told her we have no timeline for a reply. I told her once we have anything further we see fit to report back to her, we would do it.

If she calls again I will say "no update", until I hear otherwise.

From: Wright, Nigel Sent: 2013-03-01 1:39 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy

I don't care about her expectations. From what I hear her client is making this more difficult.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** Friday, March 01, 2013 01:36 PM Eastern Standard Time **To:** Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy

Privileged

I share your frustration here, Nigel. Happy to discuss if you like.

My only communication with her on this specific issue this week has been that I have nothing to report.

This is the first that I have heard on this level of specificity on this point, however: "the outcome we are pushing for is for Deloitte to report publicly that IF Kanata were the primary residence then the amount owing would be the \$90 thousand figure and that since Sen. Duffy has committed to repay this amount then Deloitte's work in determining primary residence is no longer needed." It will come as news to her and I will try to share it as the implementation of our understanding.

She is seeking outcomes that she wants. I have repeatedly and clearly made the point about scope being limited to this specific residency issue only.

I will speak with her per the points below. I assume you would also like me, as you previously indicated, to suggest they not remit payment until the they get an assurance that it would render the audit moot?

However, I think it is fair between us to say that we had expected this aspect to have been resolved already. I understand significant effort has already been expended in that regard. Tuesday was the initial target as I recall. I get why that hasn't occurred so will have to manage expectations with her also.

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent**: Friday, March 01, 2013 01:10 PM Eastern Standard Time **To**: Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy

It's not your fault Ben, but I am getting frustrated by this, particularly because it is not my role in this office to be micromanaging files.

- 1. No we do not have an update for her on the Deloitte audit. I am presuming that you verbally led her to understand that this is being worked on. Chris and Patrick and I are trying to make this happen, but it is not easy. Today I asked Sen. Gerstein to actually work through senior contacts at Deloitte and with Sen. LeBreton. I want her to understand, through verbal conversation (because I am frustrated that she continues to quote a paragraph that you will have told her at the time is not the deal we are not making any representation that expenses writ large are fully in order) that the outcome we are pushing for is for Deloitte to report publicly that IF Kanata were the primary residence then the amount owing would be the \$90 thousand figure and that since Sen. Duffy has committed to repay this amount then Deloitte's work in determining primary residence is no longer needed. This approach has not changed, but I do not know whether you passed it along to her. If they have an expectation in excess of this, then they should set it aside. The nub of what I said to Mike is that his expenses would have to be repaid, so his choice was between having that plus a finding that they were inappropriate or that without such a finding. That is what we are working towards. Despite pre-clearing that with the relevant Senators, I am no longer 100% sure we can deliver, but if we can't then we and Mike have a bigger problem.
- 2. The use of the media line about issues having been addressed depends on the resolution to #1.
- 3. As to her timing, she can set whatever deadlines she wants, but none has been agreed to by us. Sen. Duffy would make this easier if he did not have outbursts in Senate caucus that make Senators oppose anything that helps him save face for expense claims that they see as inappropriate and as putting their own reputations in harm's way. We are working on this matter. We are doing so with more dispatch than Sen. Duffy showed in bringing this to a resolution. I do not gather from the tone of her email that she understands any of this, and it might help if she did.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** March 1, 2013 12:46 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

**Subject:** Urgent: Senator Duffy

Privileged

See below. Do we have an update for her on the Deloitte audit?

**From**: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Friday, March 01, 2013 12:40 PM Eastern Standard Time

**To:** Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Christine King < Christine.King@nelligan.ca>

Subject: Senator Duffy

Please find attached the wire instructions you need.

Ben, I really must have an update today as to how our client will be provided with the confirmation required by the first sentence in bullet #1 in the settlement we reached last week which was, to remind you:

1. Senate representatives M. Lebreton, David Tkachuk and Stewart Olsen will confirm that Senator Duffy has been withdrawn from the Deloitte review and will assure him that his expenses are fully in order to date and will not be the subject of any further activity or review, at their initiative or at the initiative of the Internal Economy Committee, by any other party. If any member of the Committee makes any statement, it will ensure that such statement is consistent with the agreed media lines.

I would also draw your attention to the last item in the attached agreed to media lines (your email at 3:07 Friday last) that speaks to this issue and which has not yet been addressed.

As you know Deloitte is pressing and needs to be told that Senator Duffy is no longer part of their review.

Thank you.

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From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 6, 2013 11:31 AM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

We might need a meeting between you guys, Beth Marshall and Irving. Also, David Tkachuk says he would be OK with all this, just needs to be kept in the loop. He will back off suggesting to Duffy that he meet with Deloitte right now.

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: March 6, 2013 10:19 AM

To: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

**Subject:** Re: Senator Duffy - request for input please

I have now spoken to Senator Gerstein.

Deloitte has reported to him that their mandate on Duffy comes from a sub-committee chaired by Senator Marshall and that the mandate limits Deloitte's ability to pull off what we want.

I do not believe that this office has seen this mandate.

It seems that our goal to have Deloitte write to the committee stating that their work is done with Senator Duffy's repayment may be impossible due to the wording of this mandate.

I will contact Senator Marshall's office to get the mandate if this chain believes it would be useful.

Senator Gerstein confirmed that his channel into Deloitte is open and is happy to continue assisting us.

**Patrick** 

From: Rogers, Patrick

**Sent**: Tuesday, March 05, 2013 03:23 PM Eastern Standard Time **To**: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Senator Gerstein is meeting with Deloitte at 4. He now has our question for Deloitte and will be back to me after the meeting.

Patrick

From: Wright, Nigel Sent: 2013-03-05 2:52 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

**Subject:** RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Patrick,

I would like this checked with Irving. I am happy to do so unless you have an outstanding need to have a further conversation with him. I would support taking the approach below IF I can be satisfied that

Deloitte will accept the proposal. I do not trust that Sen. Tkachuk has ascertained that with Deloitte before making the suggestion to Sen. Duffy (although that might be the case, I just don't know).

If we take this route, I would phrase the latter part somewhat differently, to the effect that since the scope of Deloitte's review in respect of Sen. Duffy was limited to his claim of expenses relating to the characterisation of his Kanata address as a secondary residence, and since Sen. Duffy has decided to repay any expenses related to such characterisation for the reasons noted in the earlier part of the letter, then purpose of Deloitte's review has been satisfied. Accordingly, Ms Payne would be seeking confirmation that Deloitte will so report to the subcommittee. I am reluctant to have her ask Deloitte to specify the amount of expenses owing because that would give Deloitte an excuse to ask for documents from Sen. Duffy again. He has a letter from the subcommittee, and if he wants another one, it should come from the subcommittee.

Nigel

From: Perrin, Benjamin Sent: March 5, 2013 2:42 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: FW: Senator Duffy - request for input please

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FYI - see below. I did not reply to her earlier email.

**From:** Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: 2013-03-05 2:34 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Arthur Hamilton (ahamilton@CasselsBrock.com)

Cc: Christine King

Subject: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Senator Tkachuk took the initiative to speak to Senator Duffy today and suggested to him that I write to Deloitte (G Timm) and state the following:

As you are no doubt aware, Senator Duffy has decided to resolve this matter by repaying the housing allowance paid to him since his appointment. He does so not because he believes he improperly claimed the allowance but because the rules are not clear and he prefers to make the repayment rather than continue to suffer the considerable distraction that this matter has caused him and his family.

We are making arrangements to provide that payment shortly.

Please confirm that he will be withdrawn from the review you have been asked to undertake as soon as the repayment has been made.

Please also advise whether it is appropriate to send the amount to be repaid to your attention for delivery to the Senate or whether your clients prefer some other arrangement for payment.

Ben and Arthur: Please confirm today that you have no difficulty with this approach. If some other approach or course of action is under consideration, please update me.



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From:

Wright, Nigel

Sent:

March 6, 2013 11:41 AM

To:

Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

Cc:

MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: next steps

I had asked Ben yesterday to advise Duffy's lawyer that she should give him advice on the OHIP request.

From: Novak, Ray

**Sent:** March 6, 2013 11:40 AM **To:** Woodcock, Chris; Wright, Nigel **Cc:** MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: next steps

I believe Duffy told me this morning he received same letter re OHIP.

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 11:38 AM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray

Cc: MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: next steps

Senator Wallin just called me. She wants us to know that the statement proposed on Sunday is to "keep in her back pocket" in case she is targeted by leaks again – not for immediate release. I suggested that she incorporate Nigel's comments below into her draft as a first step.

She received a letter from OHIP informing her that she has been selected for a "random audit" to determine if she is eligible for an OHIP card. Her lawyer is on it.

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** March 3, 2013 1:05 PM **To:** Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

Cc: MacDougall, Andrew; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: FW: next steps

FYI

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** March 3, 2013 1:05 PM

To: 'Pamela Wallin'

Cc: Rogers, Patrick; MacDougall, Andrew

Subject: RE: next steps

#### Senator.

I have copied Patrick Rogers and Andrew MacDougall. Andrew's advice is that issuing the statement is likely to drive media stories about you at a time when there is very little attention being paid to this at the moment. I think you could hold it for a few days to see whether your name appears in print much. The bottom line is that although this will provide more of a defence, the media and the public are not going to accept that defence and will wait until the Deloitte report is out (which I have heard might be at the end of this month). At that time, it will be critical for you to have an accurate and factual statement. So that is our advice on timing.

Anything you do put out will be compared with whatever it is that Deloitte ultimately reports and what the subcommittee decides. I do not know whether either of them is going to itemise your trips, but the possibility that they might makes accuracy in your own statement important. I think that it is strictly accurate to say that "a lot of" the other travel is to and from Saskatchewan and places other than Ottawa where you "may be carrying out Senate duties", but, as you are aware, we are not able to document or detail Senate business to explain a lot of that travel to and from other places. It is very likely that a substantial portion of it will be found to be non-reimbursable. It might be wiser to wait until the Deloitte and subcommittee reports before deciding which of those trips you will defend and which you will accept as not being on Senate business.

Finally, regarding the expenses already repaid, the statement that these "mistakes did not benefit me personally" could be true if all of them, not just "many" of them were reimbursable by third parties. It might be safer to omit those two sentences.

On both of those matters, Internal Economy's ability to support and stand behind the ultimate resolution of your expenses will depend in part on whether people perceive your statements along the way as being accurate and not misleading – as your statements on the time spent in Saskatchewan and your connectedness to that province have been.

Nigel

From: Pamela Wallin [mailto:pamela@pamelawallin.com]

**Sent:** March 3, 2013 10:39 AM

To: Wright, Nigel Subject: next steps

Nigel,

Below is the draft of a statement that I'd like to release as soon as possible, because it appears the Deloitte audit won't be finished for weeks. Terry O'Sullivan and I worked on this over the week-end.

Also, the Globe and Mail agreed to a retraction of misinformation about me which was published online and in Saturday's paper.

The column by Tabatha Southey said: "Conservative Senator Pamela Wallin, now-independent Senator Patrick Brazeau and Liberal Senator Mac Harb are also being investigated for questionable secondary-residence expenses."

That sentence has been removed online, with this note appended to the bottom of the column: *Editor's note:* Pamela Wallin is not being investigated for questionable secondary-residence expenses. Incorrect information appeared in an earlier version of this article.

Thanks Nigel. Please see the draft below.

#### Pamela

## **Draft statement**

Saskatchewan is my home. And now the Senate has confirmed it. They did so based on the requested documents I provided, as well as the fact that I spent 168 days in my home province last year alone. I continue to be proud to represent the people of Saskatchewan. I now look forward to resolving any outstanding questions related to travel expenses.

Let me say that I am very upset about the viciousness of the attacks on me, abetted by inaccurate "leaks" by persons unknown.

In the midst of all this adverse publicity, you should also know about the large number of supportive calls, emails and notes I have received from those who appreciate and understand the hard work done by me and others in the Senate.

It's been reported that my travel costs are high. Let me make two things clear about that.

Senate travel works on a 64 point system, not on total dollar amounts. This is so that all senators have access to the same travel resources, no matter whether they live near to or far from Ottawa. Every senator is allotted 64 points per fiscal year. A point is deducted for each return trip. I've never exceeded my 64 points.

Second, the only reason it looks like I infrequently go to Saskatchewan is that the Senate counts trips to the home province only if they originate or end in Ottawa. A lot of that so-called "other travel" I've done is actually to Saskatchewan and back, but from Toronto or other places in the country where I may be carrying out Senate duties. I was in Saskatchewan 168 days last year, sometimes at home in Wadena with family, but often at events around the province.

I have also been dismayed by the unwillingness of people to correct misinformation when it is brought to their attention. For example, the Canadian Press reported that I owned three condos in Toronto, all bought at the same address on the same day. This story ended up in several Canadian newspapers. I own just one condo in Toronto.

A refreshing exception to this was the decision by the Globe and Mail to print a retraction for writing that I was being investigated for second-residence expenses, which is not and has never been the case. When in Ottawa for Senate business, I stay in a hotel and those costs are covered in accordance with Senate rules.

I do look forward to having all questions surrounding my travel expenses resolved. Unfortunately, the process has been very slow.

Prior to the start of this audit process, I repaid some travel expenses to the Senate without being asked to do so when my new executive assistant discovered errors previously made in my office. These mistakes did not benefit me personally. Many were charges that should have been billed to third parties, not the Senate.

Like you, I want all of this cleared up, and soon. And the Senate needs to clarify and possibly reform the rules. I await the outcome of the audit process.

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** March 6, 2013 9:44 PM

**To:** Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

Subject: Re: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Thx.

From: Woodcock, Chris

**Sent**: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 08:42 PM Eastern Standard Time **To**: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

**Subject**: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Tkachuk has promised to deliver the mandate tomorrow. I will follow up to ensure it is delivered.

Chris

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** March 6, 2013 6:05 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

Cc: Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Thank you.

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: March 6, 2013 6:03 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

Cc: Woodcock, Chris

**Subject:** Re: Senator Duffy - request for input please

I have now spoken to Senator Marshall.

She and her committee are NOT responsible for the Duffy order to Deloitte.

She claims that Tkachuk's steering committee is.

This obviously calls into question Senator Gerstein's contact but I think Chris and I should work with Tkachuk to get the mandate and share it with Senator Gerstein.

Patrick

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 04:02 PM Eastern Standard Time

**To**: Wright, Nigel; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

Cc: Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

I may have been the source of some confusion here.

There is no meeting today between Senators Marshall and Gerstein at 4pm.

Yesterday, Senator Gerstein had a meeting with Deloitte at 4pm.

This morning you asked that Senators Gerstein and Marshall meet but I have been unable to line them up as of yet. I will continue to do so.

I am sorry about the confusion,

Patrick

#### **Patrick Rogers**

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires Office of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** March 6, 2013 3:35 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick

Cc: Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Please include Ben on internal exchanges on this matter so that I do not have to write multiple emails every time Duffy's lawyer makes contact.

Ben, as noted below, on item #1, please explain why we see danger in the approach she asked about. On item #2, please take the tone I indicated. Regarding what they should do in response to Deloitte's request, you could repeat what you would have told her earlier, which is that the Senators responsible are attempting to engage with Deloitte. I wish we could say more, but it takes an interminable amount of time to make anything happen on the Senate side. You will get a report after the 4 pm meeting, so perhaps you will be able to tell her more then about whether Duffy should respond directly to Deloitte or wait for Deloitte to change its request. A much lower risk approach, if we do not have very good comfort after 4 pm that Deloitte will withdraw its request for data will be for Duffy to write to them stating that he believes the requested information to be redundant given that he understands their mandate as regards him to be limited to his claim of primary residence in PEI and the payments that flow directly and specifically from that claim, and given that he has agreed to repay all such amounts and to not make the same claim going forward, and Duffy's view that this comprehensively addresses the scope of Deloitte's enquiry. I don't love that relative to having Deloitte arrive at that conclusion first, but I like it better than Duffy explicitly asking Deloitte to opine on this. I would do it if Ms Payne and Duffy perceive that their refusal to provide the requested data is giving rise to the risk that Deloitte will simply deem them to be non-responsive.

From: Perrin, Benjamin Sent: March 6, 2013 3:20 PM

**To:** Novak, Ray; Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

Cc: Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

#### SOLICITOR-CLIENT PRIVILEGED

Nigel: I have been on some, but not all of the exchanges on this, and have not be part of any of the meetings or consultations with members of the Senate so am very much a messenger here. That is fine, of course, but that is why I am looking for direction on how to reply clearly to her given the sensitivities here.

Based on the below, I will tell Janice:

1) It would not be prudent to send the draft letter below at this time.

 Senator Duffy is creating serious difficulties in his dealings with his colleagues and his remarks about our office's role.

I can leave it at that if you like. She will likely ask what they should do about Deloitte's request for documentation. I can refuse to answer if that is what you prefer. Please advise.

From: Novak, Ray

**Sent:** 2013-03-06 3:02 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Agree. I was pretty frank with Mike this morning about attacking the very people who are trying to help him. Unfortunately he and Vern traded expletives shortly thereafter.

(Mike was in a state over waking up to a lawn-sign in Kanata calling on him to resign, and a likely resolution in the PEI leg asking that he be fired)

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** March 6, 2013 2:58 PM

**To:** Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin **Cc:** Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

I agree. I spoke with Sen. Tkachuck during Caucus. I told him that it is not wise to advise Sen. Duffy to ask Deloitte to withdraw from their review and risk committing them to an answer without all the work having first being done to receive a helpful answer. Sen. Tkachuk said he agreed with this and then asked to be kept in the loop on strategic things like that. Of course, it had all been shared with him, but perhaps had not made an impression. And there are our internal exchanges on having Irving speak with Sen. Marshall, who, we now believe, chairs the subcommittee that gave the mandate to Deloitte regarding Sen. Duffy and would presumably be the source of any authority it felt it needed to interpret whether that mandate can be discharged in the way that we have discussed. I think that the Gerstein – Marshall conversation is scheduled for 4 pm today.

Ben, are you not on any of those emails or PINs? I think it would be helpful for Ms Payne to understand why we see danger in the letter below and some assurance that we continue to try to get this resolved. I do not think you need to take the aggressive tone with her that I asked you to use before, but it is worth noting that Sen. Duffy enraged many Senators yesterday with remarks about his own situation and about PMO's role. Several of those same Senators sit on the subcommittees and committee that will eventually come to a conclusion and make a report on Sen. Duffy. It is not just me who is hearing this; Ray has also got several earfuls on it. Sen. Duffy is making it harder for the subcommittee to accept his change of practice and offer to repay as a full discharge of the matter. That is just friendly advice to his lawyer.

From: Rogers, Patrick

**Sent:** March 6, 2013 2:46 PM **To:** Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel **Cc:** Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

**Subject:** Re: Senator Duffy - request for input please

I don't believe she should reply until we know that Deloitte will do what we want them to after they receive it. At this time we do not know for sure.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2013 02:44 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel

Cc: Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

#### SOLICITOR-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

Janice has called me and left a voicemail following-up on her email below, asking if we are okay with the proposed letter below being sent. Please let me know if, and how, you'd like me to respond.

From: Perrin, Benjamin Sent: 2013-03-05 2:42 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: FW: Senator Duffy - request for input please

#### SOLICITOR-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

FYI - see below. I did not reply to her earlier email.

**From:** Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

**Sent:** 2013-03-05 2:34 PM

**To:** Perrin, Benjamin; Arthur Hamilton (ahamilton@CasselsBrock.com)

**Cc:** Christine King

**Subject:** Senator Duffy - request for input please

Senator Tkachuk took the initiative to speak to Senator Duffy today and suggested to him that I write to Deloitte (G Timm) and state the following:

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Please also advise whether it is appropriate to send the amount to be repaid to your attention for delivery to the Senate or whether your clients prefer some other arrangement for payment.

Ben and Arthur: Please confirm today that you have no difficulty with this approach. If some other approach or course of action is under consideration, please update me.

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# Re: Sen. Wallin

1 message

nigel.s.wright@gmail.com <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>

8 March 2013 11:29

Reply-To: nigel.s.wright@gmail.com

To: "Woodcock, Chris" < chriswoodcock1@gmail.com>

Ok. Just check with Dan Hilton.

Sent from my BlackBerry device on the Rogers Wireless Network

From: chriswoodcock1@gmail.com Date: Fri, 8 Mar 2013 16:27:36 +0000

To: Nigel Wright<nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>
ReplyTo: chriswoodcock1@gmail.com

Subject: Re: Sen. Wallin

We could say:

"No. In general, the Party would only cover expenses incurred for party business."

Sent from my BlackBerry device on the Rogers Wireless Network

From: nigel.s.wright@gmail.com

Date: Fri. 8 Mar 2013 16:21:49 +0000

To: Woodcock, Chris<chriswoodcock1@gmail.com>

ReplyTo: nigel.s.wright@gmail.com

Subject: Re: Sen. Wallin

I don't know whether we should just kill it. The Party will not be paying for any of Sen. Duffy's expense claims re his secondary residence claim. The Party would only cover expenses incurred by Senators for doing Party business. Check that with Dan, of course. I sort of feel we should comment.

FYI only. No such discussions with Wallin. There was discussion re Duffy, but decided no CPC funds to be used.

For you only: I am personally covering Duffy's \$90K.

Sent from my BlackBerry device on the Rogers Wireless Network

From: chriswoodcock1@gmail.com
Date: Fri, 8 Mar 2013 16:11:19 +0000

**To:** Nigel Wright<nigel.s.wright@gmail.com> **ReplyTo:** chriswoodcock1@gmail.com

Subject: Fw: Sen. Wallin

I assume we would not comment on all of the below?

Sent from my BlackBerry device on the Rogers Wireless Network

From: Fred DeLorey <FredDeLorey@conservative.ca>

Date: Fri, 8 Mar 2013 11:09:44 -0500

To: chriswoodcock1@gmail.com<chriswoodcock1@gmail.com>

Subject: Fw: Sen. Wallin

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Questions from Postmedia below about Sen. Wallin's travel.

From: Press, Jordan [mailto:JPress@postmedia.com]

Sent: Friday, March 08, 2013 10:24 AM

To: Fred DeLorey Subject: Sen. Wallin

Mr. Delorey,

Just writing because wanted to ask the party if there had been any discussions about helping Sen. Wallin repay some of her Senate travel claims that involved partisan work. For context, I also wanted to know under what circumstances the party would provide funding to a senator, and how that decision is made. I'd also like to know if similar talks have been held in regard to Sen. Duffy and his pledge to repay about \$90,000 in housing claims.

Deadlines for me is 3:30 p.m.

Cheers.

Jordan

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Twitter.com/jordan\_press

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** March 8, 2013 3:26 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy

Thank you.

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Friday, March 08, 2013 03:12 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy

Senator Gerstein has just called.

He agrees with our understanding of the situation and his Deloitte contact agrees.

The stage we're at now is waiting for the Senator's contact to get the actual Deloitte auditor on the file to agree.

The Senator will call back once we have Deloitte locked in.

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Friday, March 08, 2013 01:27 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris

**Subject:** Re: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy

No. I will call Senator Gerstein.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Friday, March 08, 2013 01:15 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy

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Patrick: do we know how Deloitte responded?

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 03:00 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Perrin, Benjamin

Subject: RE: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy

Thank you.

From: Rogers, Patrick

**Sent:** March 7, 2013 2:31 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Perrin, Benjamin

**Subject:** Re: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy

Senator Gerstein has this and has committed to getting our views to Deloitte today.

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 01:07 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Perrin, Benjamin

Subject: RE: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy

I will get this to Senator Gerstein.

## **Patrick Rogers**

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires Office of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 7, 2013 1:07 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin

Subject: RE: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy

This is perfect. It completely permits Deloitte and the Subcommittee to say that the task as related to Sen. Duffy is rendered moot by his decision to withdraw his claim of Cavendish as his primary residence and to repay the expenses that had been associated with making that claim.

From: Woodcock, Chris Sent: March 7, 2013 1:04 PM

**To:** Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel **Subject:** Fw: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy

Importance: High

Deloitte mandate is attached.

From: Shave, Katarina [mailto:SHAVEK@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 12:51 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris

Subject: FW: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy

Hi Chris,

As per request from Sen. Tkachuk.

Best,

Katarina

Katarina Shave, EA

To the Hon. Senator David Tkachuk

Senate of Canada 140 Wellington Street Room 401-VB Ottawa, ON K1A 0A4

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shavek@sen.parl.gc.ca

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### STATEMENT OF WORK

#### Title:

Review of Primary and Secondary Residency and related expense claims.

#### Objective(s):

To review a Senator's Declaration of Primary and Secondary Residence, related living and travel expense claims, other related documentation, and to report back thereon.

#### Background:

Senators claim their living allowance and travel expenses in compliance with the Parliament of Canada Act and internal rules and policies. Senators may request reimbursement of living expenses in the National Capital Region and related travel expenses.

#### Scope:

Senators make a signed Declaration regarding their primary and secondary residences. Senators do not have to produce proof of their primary residence nor are there internal criteria that define primary residence, other than that it must be "the residence identified by the senator as his/her main residence and is situated in the province or territory represented by the senator."

There is a risk that the primary residence may not be as declared.

### Tasks:

To review all relevant documentation and conduct interviews that may assist in establishing the Senator's primary residence and assess the appropriateness of related claims.

## Travel:

N/A

### Constraints:

The work to be undertaken is to be treated with the strictest confidentiality. It may be conducted on site at the Senate Finance and Procurement Directorate or at the contractor's facility. For any work to be completed at the contractor's facility, the technical authority will provide the documents to be reviewed in double confidential envelopes and the contractor will sign for receipt of all files and return them to the Senate in their original form when required. The contractor must safeguard the

information at all times by taking all measures reasonably necessary to secure it and protect its integrity and confidentiality.

#### Client support:

The policy framework governing residency and claims will be provided, along with the declarations and claims for review.

The technical authority will work closely with the contractor over the course of the review and may require the contractor to report periodically to the Audit Subcommittee on interim findings. The contractor may also request meetings with the Audit Subcommittee at his or her discretion.

The contractor may establish direct lines of communication with the Senator or his representative and a representative from Senate Finance in order to answer questions and provide any supporting documentation, but should inform the technical authority as the principle contact.

#### Meetings:

The client requests a weekly status report by meeting or in writing of progress to date.

### Deliverables:

(A) report(s) on the claims that identify them as 1) appropriate in keeping with Senate practice; 2) subject to interpretation and determination by the Steering Committee of Internal Economy, 3) subject to reimbursement to the Receiver General; or 4) subject to further investigation by appropriate authorities. The final report will be submitted to the technical authority no later than (to be determined).

**O**m:

Perrin, Benjamin

March 14, 2013 8:37 AM

Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject:

Fw. Senator Duffy

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-Fyi. After consulting with Patrick on latest...

---- Original Message ----

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2013 08:29 AM Eastern Standard Time
To: 'janice.payne@nelligan.ca' <janice.payne@nelligan.ca>

Subject: Re: Senator Duffy

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There should be no change to the lines.

---- Original Message -----

From: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2013 08:07 AM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Christine King <Christine.King@nelligan.ca>

Subject: Re: Senator Duffy

Good to hear. Thank you.

p have some suggestions from Senator Duffy for media lines when you are ready to cuss.

Sent by Blackberry/Envoyé de mon Blackberry

---- Original Message ----

From: Perrin, Benjamin [mailto:Benjamin.Perrin@pmo-cpm.gc.ca]

Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2013 08:04 AM

To: Janice Payne

Subject: Re: Senator Duffy

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We are making some progress. Please continue to hold tight.

---- Original Message -----

From: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2013 07:35 AM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin Subject: Senator Duffy

Are you able to give me an update?

Sent by Blackberry/Envoyé de mon Blackberry

Janice Payne Lawyer/Avocate

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From:

Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 20, 2013 7:40 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

Fair enough.

From: Woodcock, Chris **Sent:** March 20, 2013 7:36 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

I think he should just say he will send her an update when there is an update.

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** March 20, 2013 7:34 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

**Subject:** RE: Senator Duffv

Very dangerous tactic by her. Also, I wonder if she is paying attention, because Ben will have explained to her several times that it is not "the audit being called off", but rather Deloitte not having to come to a conclusion on primary vs secondary residence since Sen. Duffy has taken that issue off the table by conceding it, which is the full sum of what I discussed with Sen. Duffy. I fully expect Deloitte to issue a report - my hope is that it is limited to a dollar amount owing based on the assumption that Kanata is the primary residence, an assumption made valid by Sen. Duffy's decision not to contest that point.

I will let someone else suggest the response.

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: March 20, 2013 7:24 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

Senator Tkachuk received an email from Ms. Payne today seeking confirmation that the audit would be called \*off\* upon repayment. He is awaiting a suggestion from us on a response.

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 20, 2013 1:54 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

**Subject:** RE: Senator Duffy

I also don't know what Sen. LeBreton said to the Senate caucus vesterday. I am concerned, given the email below, whether caucus confidentiality has been violated.

Ben, you are up to speed with advice being provided about what Deloitte could do in this situation. I am sure that Sen. Duffy has been patient. If so, no one has benefited from that more than Sen. Duffy himself as he has not been the subject of the additional negative media and public comment that he would have been had he not avoided the media. We too have been patient. As we explained before, our job was made more difficult by intemperate things that Sen. Duffy has said to his colleagues, but we continue to believe that there is a way forward here within the spirit of our discussions with Sen. Duffy.

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: March 20, 2013 1:04 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

I don't believe I know anything about the March 19th reference.

I have been on the phone constantly with Gerstein who has been trying to arrange the necessary commitments from Deloitte but to date he hasn't been able to receive those assurances.

# **Patrick Rogers**

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires Office of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** March 20, 2013 1:02 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Fw: Senator Duffy

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See below. I have not heard about the developments below.

**From:** Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2013 12:54 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Arthur Hamilton (ahamilton@CasselsBrock.com) <a href="mailton@CasselsBrock.com">ahamilton@CasselsBrock.com</a>

Cc: Christine King < Christine.King@nelligan.ca>

Subject: Senator Duffy

We negotiated an arrangement on Feb 22nd that remains in limbo.

Senator Lebreton advised Senators on March 19 that no one should raise questions about or bring any pressure to bear on Deloitte. Our client is not sure how to read this in light of the commitment we had that he would be withdrawn from the process.

How should we read Sen. Lebreton's comments? Will the commitment and the balance of the arrangement we negotiated for Sen. Duffy be honoured?

We have worked hard to avoid the media and be team players. We have been more than patient. We need some clarity on process.

Sen. Lebreton also said big things are coming. We need to know where our client stands asap.



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From:

Perrin, Benjamin

Sent:

March 21, 2013 1:45 PM

To:

Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject:

FW: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Importance: High

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FYI – I asked her to hold so we can assess next steps in light of Patrick's last email.

Her reference to the "ultimate objective" was the one articulated by Nigel in respect of the Deloitte report earlier.

From: Perrin, Benjamin Sent: 2013-03-21 1:44 PM

To: 'Janice Payne'
Cc: Christine King

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Importance: High

Please hold. I literally just received an email on this issue. We will need to assess it and get back to you tomorrow. Everyone is in Budget Lock-up starting now so we will be unavailable for most of the rest of the afternoon.

From: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: 2013-03-21 1:41 PM To: Perrin, Benjamin Cc: Christine King

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please

Ben, further to our conversation, given the lack of concrete result thus far and the ultimate objective as you described it to me, I see no reason not to send the message I suggested below to Deloitte. If you disagree, please advise today and explain why not. I need to try and advance this matter for my client.

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From: Janice Payne

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 05, 2013 2:34 PM

To: 'Perrin, Benjamin'; Arthur Hamilton (ahamilton@CasselsBrock.com)

Cc: Christine King

**Subject:** Senator Duffy - request for input please

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From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** March 21, 2013 2:01 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

Thanks, Nigel. I will ask David to help arrange the call.

From: Wright, Nigel Sent: 2013-03-21 2:00 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

I do agree with Patrick's suggestion. We have exhausted our avenues, and I think that is the best we can do. Ben, I would be OK participating in a call to Janice to explain. While I would not encourage them to send the response they drafted because I think 'withdrawn from the review' is an odd request, I would suggest that they send a similar response essentially making the point that we have been making – that since Sen. Duffy has taken off the table the one issue DT was asked to review, they do not see a purpose for that review. They will want to add "or any reason to provide the information requested". We can never suggest that they say this latter bit, because we cannot trust them never to say that PMO told them not to respond to DT's requests for information.

As upset as they might be, I suspect that Sen. Duffy will still want some aspects of the arrangement to remain in effect.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** March 21, 2013 1:52 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

At a minimum, I think in good faith they need to know the info you found out. We would then need to convinced them why they should do nothing. The Senator's instinct may be to go in and fight this out again with Deloitte. The optics look really bad of it.

How about the email she proposed? I think we should reply to her suggestion from Sen Tkachuk with a "no concerns" with it:

# From Janice:

Senator Tkachuk took the initiative to speak to Senator Duffy today and suggested to him that I write to Deloitte (G Timm) and state the following:

As you are no doubt aware, Senator Duffy has decided to resolve this matter by repaying the housing allowance paid to him since his appointment. He does so not because he believes he improperly claimed the allowance but because the rules are not clear and he prefers to make the repayment rather than continue to suffer the considerable distraction that this matter has caused him and his family.

We are making arrangements to provide that payment shortly.

Please confirm that he will be withdrawn from the review you have been asked to undertake as soon as the repayment has been made.

Please also advise whether it is appropriate to send the amount to be repaid to your attention for delivery to the Senate or whether your clients prefer some other arrangement for payment.

From: Rogers, Patrick Sent: 2013-03-21 1:46 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray

**Subject:** RE: Senator Duffy

I may be wrong but I would propose that the Senator continue to **not** engage with Deloitte. I believe that we should make arrangements for repayment knowing that Deloitte will not say one way or another on his residency.

If asked following the report why he didn't participate with Deloitte the Senator can say because he had already made the decision to repay the money and as he said at the time, he looked forward to moving on. It is then up to our esteemed Senators on the committee and our Senate leadership to move on.

# **Patrick Rogers**

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires Office of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre

From: Perrin, Benjamin Sent: March 21, 2013 1:41 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

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How should we propose that the Senator engage with Deloitte in light of this? They will be very unhappy to state the obvious since this is completely at odds with what they understood would occur, and as we have clarified with respect to what we were working towards per below.

From: Rogers, Patrick Sent: 2013-03-21 1:33 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

Just heard from Gerstein. Here's the latest and most useful information yet from Deloitte

- Any repayments will not change Deloitte's conclusions
- Because they were asked to opine on residency
- However, they can't reach a conclusion on residency because Duffy's lawyer has not provided them anything
- This is despite their attempts use "public information" about Duffy's residency
- Their report will state that Duffy's lawyer did not provide information when requested.
- They were asked to complete the work by the end of March and plan to.

# **Patrick Rogers**

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires

Office of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: March 21, 2013 1:23 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

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I spoke to her and conveyed all points clearly to her.

From: Wright, Nigel Sent: 2013-03-20 7:40 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

I'd be very happy for you to have a discussion with her Ben. Also, I am not sure how to do this, but let her know that if she discusses any understanding with anyone outside of PMO, we will not hesitate to correct any statement that is not 100% accurate.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** March 20, 2013 7:37 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray

Subject: Re: Senator Duffy

l agree. She is just not getting it. Nigel: do you want me to give her the same line or have another discussion

with her?

From: Woodcock, Chris

**Sent**: Wednesday, March 20, 2013 07:35 PM Eastern Standard Time **To**: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

I think he should just say he will send her an update when there is an update.

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 20, 2013 7:34 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

Very dangerous tactic by her. Also, I wonder if she is paying attention, because Ben will have explained to her several times that it is not "the audit being called off", but rather Deloitte not having to come to a conclusion on primary vs secondary residence since Sen. Duffy has taken that issue off the table by conceding it, which is the full sum of what I discussed with Sen. Duffy. I fully expect Deloitte to issue a report – my hope is that it is limited to a dollar amount owing based on the assumption that Kanata is the primary residence, an assumption made valid by Sen. Duffy's decision not to contest that point.

I will let someone else suggest the response.

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: March 20, 2013 7:24 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

**Subject:** RE: Senator Duffy

Senator Tkachuk received an email from Ms. Payne today seeking confirmation that the audit would be called \*off\* upon repayment. He is awaiting a suggestion from us on a response.

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 20, 2013 1:54 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Senator Duffy

I also don't know what Sen. LeBreton said to the Senate caucus yesterday. I am concerned, given the email below, whether caucus confidentiality has been violated.

Ben, you are up to speed with advice being provided about what Deloitte could do in this situation. I am sure that Sen. Duffy has been patient. If so, no one has benefited from that more than Sen. Duffy himself as he has not been the subject of the additional negative media and public comment that he would have been had he not avoided the media. We too have been patient. As we explained before, our job was made more difficult by intemperate things that Sen. Duffy has said to his colleagues, but we continue to believe that there is a way forward here within the spirit of our discussions with Sen. Duffy.

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: March 20, 2013 1:04 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris

**Subject:** RE: Senator Duffy

I don't believe I know anything about the March 19<sup>th</sup> reference.

I have been on the phone constantly with Gerstein who has been trying to arrange the necessary commitments from Deloitte but to date he hasn't been able to receive those assurances.

# **Patrick Rogers**

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires Office of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: March 20, 2013 1:02 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Fw: Senator Duffy

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See below. I have not heard about the developments below.

**From**: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2013 12:54 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Arthur Hamilton (ahamilton@CasselsBrock.com) <a href="mailton@CasselsBrock.com">ahamilton@CasselsBrock.com</a>

Cc: Christine King < Christine.King@nelligan.ca>

Subject: Senator Duffy

We negotiated an arrangement on Feb 22nd that remains in limbo.

Senator Lebreton advised Senators on March 19 that no one should raise questions about or bring any pressure to bear on Deloitte. Our client is not sure how to read this in light of the commitment we had that he would be withdrawn from the process.

How should we read Sen. Lebreton's comments? Will the commitment and the balance of the arrangement we negotiated for Sen. Duffy be honoured?

We have worked hard to avoid the media and be team players. We have been more than patient. We need some clarity on process.

Sen. Lebreton also said big things are coming. We need to know where our client stands asap.

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Some of the attached emails refer to a parallel policy process initially intended to develop bright-line demonstrations of Senators' residency for constitutional qualification purposes. The Prime Minister did not agree with this initiative, as he viewed the matter to be long-settled historically as requiring ownership of a residence in the province of appointment, so the process was shut down within a few days. While that policy process is not relevant to the issues being examined, for convenience and ease of reading generally the portions of emails dealing with this process were left in when the emails were produced to the Conflict of Interest and Ethics Commissioner. The redactions at tabs I-21 and I-22 and the omission of the attachment at tab I-19 are consistent with production to the Commissioner.

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I-1.	Email thread ending Feb. 6, 7:31 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy Statement	
I-2.	Email thread ending Feb. 7, 6:40 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy	
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I-4.	Email thread ending Feb. 7, 6:57 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy Statement	
I-5.	Email thread ending Feb. 7, 21:24 [9:24 p.m.] Last From: Nigel Wright	Re: Fwd: Depending on what u say in your release	
I-6.	Email thread ending Feb. 7, 11:22 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Before you issue news release	
I-7.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 2:00 p.m. Last From: McNamara, Joanne	Re: Senate - Residency and Expenses	
I-8.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 2:10 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Senate - Residency and Expenses	
I-9.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 4:21 p.m. Last From: mdduffy@aol.com	FW: SENATE: Letter from Senate Leadership to CIBA	
I-10.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 5:23 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duff at 613-254-8411	

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I-11.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 6:27 p.m. Last From: McNamara, Joanne	RE: Duff at 613-254-8411
I-12.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 8:38 p.m. Last From: mdduffy@aol.com	Re: My lawyer writes
I-13.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 8:41 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: My lawyer writes
I-14.	Email thread ending Feb. 11, 9:00 p.m. Last From: Rogers, Patrick	Re: Senate - Residency and Expenses
I-15.	Email thread ending Feb. 13, 1:21 a.m. Last From: Duffy, Michael	Re: Update?
I-16.	Email thread ending Feb. 14, 21:04 [9:04 p.m.]. Last From Nigel Wright	Re: Rubber Chicken - 2011 will be higher
I-17.	Email thread ending Feb. 15, 18:35 [6:35 p.m.]. Last From Nigel Wright	Re: PEI Residency Ruling
I-18.	Email threading ending Feb. 15, 7:10 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Senator Duffy
I-19.	Email thread ending Feb. 18, 5:33 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel [attachment excluded as not relevant]	RE: Residency
I-20.	Email thread ending Feb. 19, 6:01 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: the Guardian SmartEdition
I-21.	Email thread ending Feb. 19, 1:19 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel [redacted]	RE: Return on Senate Residency note
I-22.	Email thread ending Feb. 19, 1:21 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel [redacted]	RE: Return on Senate Residency note
I-23.	Email, Feb. 19, 4:27 p.m. From: Wright, Nigel	pls schedule a call w Sen. Duffy, thx
I-24.	Email thread ending Feb. 20, 2:45 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Senator Michael Duffy
I-25.	Second email thread ending Feb. 20, 2:45 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	FW: Your fax number pls. Mike

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I-26.	Email thread ending Feb. 20, 3:27 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy Scenario
I-27.	Email thread ending Feb. 20, 3:39 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy
I-28.	Email thread ending Feb. 20, 7:37 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy Scenario
I-29.	Email thread ending Feb. 21, 12:17 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Sen. Duffy
I-30.	Email thread ending Feb. 21, 12:50 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Sen. Duffy
I-31.	Email thread ending Feb. 21, 7:18 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Revised Duffy Statement
I-32.	Email thread ending Feb. 21, 8:32 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Revised Duffy Statement
I-33.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 8:12 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Senator Duffy
I-34.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 12:45 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	FW: Senator Duffy
I-35.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 1:04 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Senator Duffy
I-36.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 2:10 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Senator Duffy
I-37.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 2:14 p.m. Last From: van Hemmen, David	RE: Senator Duffy
I-38.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 3:15 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-39.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 3:16 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-40.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 3:27 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy

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I-41.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 3:42 p,m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	RE: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-42.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 5:44 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy Transcript
I-43.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 6:04 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	FW: 'I made a mistake' claiming housing allowance, says embattled senator Duffy
I-44.	Email thread ending Feb. 22, 7:01 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Hard copy will be faxed monday. Letter to sen tkachuk
I-45.	Email thread ending Feb. 26, 11:53 a.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	RE: Today's target - for Fife too
I-46.	Email thread ending Feb. 26, 12:52 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy
I-47.	Email thread ending Feb. 26, 21:16 [9:16 p.m.]. Last From Nigel Wright	Re: Deal
I-48.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 11:36 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Letter to Duffy
I-49.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 3:44 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	RE: Senator Duffy
I-50.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 5:49 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-51.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 5:58 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy
I-52.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 8:18 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Revised Audit Subcommittee report - Primary and Secondary Recommendations3.docx
I-53.	Email thread ending Feb. 27, 9:56 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Revised Audit Subcommittee report - Primary and Secondary Recommendations3.docx
I-54.	Email thread ending Feb. 28, 9:55 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: QP Closed Captioning Transcript - 2013- 02-27
I-55.	Email thread ending Mar. 1, 6:43 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	FW: Re Senate Report

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I-56.	Email thread ending Mar. 1, 7:25 a.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	RE: Re Senate Report	
I-57.	Email thread ending Mar. 1, 2:18 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Urgent: Senator Duffy	
I-58.	Email thread ending Mar. 6, 11:31 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Senator Duffy - request for input please	
I-59.	Email thread ending Mar. 6, 11:41 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: next steps	
I-60.	Email thread ending Mar. 6, 9:44 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Senator Duffy - request for input please	
I-61.	Email thread ending Mar. 8, 11:29 [a.m.]. Last From Nigel Wright	Re: Sen. Wallin	
I-62.	Email thread ending Mar. 8, 3:26 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Statement of Work - Sen. Duffy	
I-63.	Email thread ending Mar. 14, 8:37 a.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	Fw: Senator Duffy	
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I-66.	Email thread ending Mar. 21, 2:01 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	RE: Senator Duffy	
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II-4.	Email thread ending Mar. 23, 1:20 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	FW: Follow-up
II-5.	Email thread ending Mar. 24, 7:52 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Senator Duffy
II-6.	Email thread ending Mar. 25, 1:00 p.m. Last From: Rogers, Patrick	RE: Senator Duffy
II-7.	Email thread ending Mar. 25, 2:06 p.m. Last From: Perrin, Benjamin	RE: Senator Duffy
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II-15.	Email thread ending Apr. 17, 10:32 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Fw: Global National
II-16.	Email thread ending Apr. 18, 7:13 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back
II-17.	Email thread ending Apr. 18, 7:28 p.m. Last From: Rogers, Patrick	Re: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back
II-18.	Email thread ending Apr. 18, 20:02 [8:02 p.m.] Last From: Nigel Wright	Fwd: Things

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II-19.	Email thread ending Apr. 18, 8:24 p.m. Last From: LeBreton, Marjory	Re: Interview Request - The West Block with Tom Clark
II-20.	Email thread ending Apr. 19, 10:19. Last From Nigel Wright	Fwd: Jordan Press called my office again today going to write MD is a liar
II-21.	Email thread ending Apr. 19, 11:51 a.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Jordan Press called my office again today going to write MD is a liar
II-22.	Email thread ending Apr. 19, 5:14 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Urgent - Duffy
II-23.	Email thread ending Apr. 22, 3:30 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Duffy
II-24.	Email thread ending Apr. 23, 5:43 p.m. Last From: Montgomery, Christopher	RE: Confidential. Tkachuk/Duffy
II-25.	Email thread ending Apr. 23, 6:23 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Confidential. Tkachuk/Duffy
II-26.	Email thread ending Apr. 30, 06:36 [6:36 a.m.] Last From: Nigel Wright	Fwd: Follow up
II-27.	Email thread ending May 2, 07:54 [7:54 a.m.] Last From: Goldy Hyder	Re: Draft Statement
II-28.	Email thread ending May 2, 2:46 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Audit
II-29.	Email thread ending May 3, 02:42 [2:42 a.m.] Last From: Goldy Hyder	RE: Follow up
II-30.	Email thread ending May 3, 11:44 [11:44 a.m.] Last From: Nigel Wright	Re: Follow up
II-31.	Email thread ending May 8, 1:58 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Report on Duffy
II-32.	Email thread ending May 8, 2:37 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	Re: Meeting
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II-35.	Email thread ending May 8, 7:11 p.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?
II-36.	Email thread ending May 8, 8:44 p.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	RE: Duffy Statement
II-37.	Email thread ending May 9, 6:00 a.m. Last From: Wright, Nigel	Re: Any sign of products for tomorrow?
II-38.	Email thread ending May 9, 6:00 a.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	FW: Notes from Thursday BOIE FYI
II-39.	Email thread ending May 9, 11:16 a.m. Last From: Woodcock, Chris	RE: Duffy
II-40.	Email, May 14, 22:52 [10:52 p.m.] From: chriswoodcock1@gmail.com	(no subject)
II-41.	Schedule for Feb. 11 [redacted]	n.a.
II-42.	Schedule for Feb. 12 [redacted]	n.a.
II-43.	Schedule for Feb. 13 [redacted]	n.a.
II-44.	Schedule for Feb. 19 [redacted]	n.a.
II-45.	Schedule for Feb. 21 [redacted]	n.a.
II-46.	Schedule for Mar. 22 [redacted]	n.a.
II-47.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 6, 2013	n.a.
II-48.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 7, 2013	n.a.
II-49.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 11, 2013	n.a.
II-50.	Journal excerpt from Feb. 12, 2013	n.a.
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II-56.	Journal excerpt from Mar. 22, 2013	n.a.
II-57.	Journal excerpt from Apr. 29, 2013	n.a.
II-58.	Journal excerpt from May 7, 2013	n.a.
II-59.	Letter from Hon. David Tkachuk to Janice Payne dated Feb. 14, 2013	Re: The Honourable Senator Michael Duffy Your File No. 16138-2



Wright, Nigel

March 22, 2013 10:19 AM van Hemmen, David

Subject:

RE: Call with Nigel Wright and Ben Perrin

I do not think it would be helpful, so I'd prefer just to have Janice. However, if she feels he really should be we cannot object. I'd like Ben to say that we think it might work best to have it be the three of us, with a follow-up call with the Senator if need be, but that ultimately it is up to her.

----Original Message---From: van Hemmen, David
Sent: March 22, 2013 9:33 AM

To: Wright, Nigel

Subject: FW: Call with Nigel Wright and Ben Perrin

Would you like Senator Duffy to be on the call?

----Original Message---From: Perrin, Benjamin
Sent: 2013-03-21 11:13 PM
To: van Hemmen, David

Subject: Fw: Call with Nigel Wright and Ben Perrin

Ask Nigel what he prefers please.

---- Original Message ----

From: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Thursday, March 21, 2013 10:21 PM Eastern Standard Time

Yan Hemmen, David; Christine King <Christine.King@nelligan.ca>; Perrin, Benjamin

Subject: RE: Call with Nigel Wright and Ben Perrin

Ben, would it be helpful to have Senator Duffy on this call? Please let me know.

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From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: March 22, 2013 2:21 PM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray

Subject: Re: letter

The letter has been requested. We should have it today.

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Friday, March 22, 2013 02:04 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray

Subject: Re: letter

I'm happy to call with you if you're around.

From: Woodcock, Chris

**Sent:** Friday, March 22, 2013 02:02 PM Eastern Standard Time **To:** Perrin, Benjamin; Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Novak, Ray

Subject: Re: letter

Patrick I can call Sen Tkachuk

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent**: Friday, March 22, 2013 02:00 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray

Subject: Re: letter

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Patrick we need this attached letter to be updated to date please (ie it is calculated to late February). We would like it for Monday.

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** Friday, March 22, 2013 01:57 PM Eastern Standard Time **To:** Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray

Subject: letter

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: March 22, 2013 3:54 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Draft letter: repayment of housing allowances

Will do, thanks.

From: Wright, Nigel Sent: 2013-03-22 3:52 PM

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Woodcock, Chris; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Draft letter: repayment of housing allowances

Thanks Ben. You could share the draft letter itself, since that will give her comfort.

From: Perrin. Benjamin

**Sent**: Friday, March 22, 2013 03:37 PM Eastern Standard Time **To**: Woodcock, Chris; Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick **Subject**: Re: Draft letter: repayment of housing allowances

I will let Janice know the number.

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**Sent**: Friday, March 22, 2013 03:37 PM Eastern Standard Time **To**: Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Perrin, Benjamin; Rogers, Patrick **Subject**: Fw: Draft letter: repayment of housing allowances

Attached is a draft of the letter. Note the indication that interest accrues on the 31st.

From: Shave, Katarina [mailto:SHAVEK@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: Friday, March 22, 2013 03:24 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris

Cc: Hay, Robin < HAYR@SEN.PARL.GC.CA>

Subject: Draft letter: repayment of housing allowances

Hi Chris,

Please see attached a draft letter for Sen. Duffy prepared by Senate Finance. Please note that there is no change in the amount owed because the interest is calculated annually on March 31. So, there would be a change only if the payment is made after March 31.

#### Katarina

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March 25, 2013

The Honourable Michael Duffy, Senator The Senate of Canada Room 367-E, Centre Block Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A4

Dear Senator Duffy:

As requested, this is to confirm that there is no change in the amount owed for repayment of the housing allowance as the interest is calculated annually on March 31. As was stated in my earlier letter, interest plus capital represents a total of \$90,172.24. Please note that the amount would change if reimbursement is made after that date.

Sincerely,

David Tkachuk, Chair

rom: Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 23, 2013 1:20 PM

To: van Hemmen, David

Subject: FW: Follow-up

My cheque is in the correspondence folder. I don't have enough funds in my chequing account, so I have emailed Murray Culligan to ask him to transfer them in from another account. You might call him on Monday morning to assure that he is doing it, as I dated my cheque for Monday and I expect them to negotiate it that day. Thanks.

Nigel

From: Perrin, Benjamin

**Sent:** March 23, 2013 12:59 PM **To:** Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray **Subject:** Re: Follow-up

I agree.

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Saturday, March 23, 2013 12:47 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin; Novak, Ray

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don't know whether either of you has thoughts, but I think that this is perfectly fine (and I resist making nor suggestions since I would prefer to be able to answer, if necessary, that PMO did not write it).

Nigel

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**Sent:** March 23, 2013 12:29 PM **To:** Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray **Subject:** Fw: Follow-up

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She just sent this over. Let me know if you have any comments.

**From**: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

**Sent:** Saturday, March 23, 2013 12:08 PM Eastern Standard Time **To**: Janice Payne <janice.payne@nelligan.ca>; Perrin, Benjamin

**Cc**: Christine King < Christine.King@nelligan.ca>

Subject: RE: Follow-up

I would also be grateful for any comment from you/Nigel on the draft letter suggested below:

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Sent: Saturday, March 23, 2013 10:39 AM

**To:** 'Perrin, Benjamin' **Cc:** Christine King **Subject:** RE: Follow-up

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ould it be preferable to send the chq and the letter to the Steering Committee as a reply to this correspondence advising him of the amount owing? Perhaps with a copy to Mr. Timm at Deloitte?

I would appreciate your and Nigel's consideration on this and your further comments.

expect to have my client's instructions by Monday a.m. and if he is in agreement, I would like to proceed promptly on Monday.

Thank you.

rom: Wright, Nigel

Sent: March 24, 2013 7:52 PM

**To:** Perrin, Benjamin **Subject:** Re: Senator Duffy

Yes.

From: Perrin, Benjamin

Sent: Sunday, March 24, 2013 07:42 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel

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Can I loop Patrick and Chris in on this chain? It doesn't include the payment issue.

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Rogers, Patrick

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LeBreton is onside. I am waiting to hear back from Tkachuk.

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I will communicate that to her verbally.

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Sent: Monday, March 25, 2013 07:47 AM Eastern Standard Time

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Regards,

Ben

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Sent: Sunday, March 24, 2013 08:30 PM Eastern Standard Time

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### Sent from my iPad

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Subject: Re: Senator Duffy

Privileged

We have no concerns with the revised letter and will look into point 2 below.

From: Janice Payne [mailto:janice.payne@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Sunday, March 24, 2013 06:40 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

**Cc:** Christine King < <a href="mailto:Christine.King@nelligan.ca">Christine.King@nelligan.ca</a>

**Subject:** Senator Duffy

Further to our discussion Friday, I can confirm that my client will follow the approach recommended subject to the following.

- 1. Set out below is a somewhat revised letter that will accompany payment and which has now been approved by my client.
- 2. Senator Duffy is understandably concerned that this may not resolve matters. He therefore asks for assurance that should any Senator seek his removal, the Gov't leader in the Senate will urge her caucus to vote against such a motion as well as any motion to refer the matter of his housing and expense claims far

further investigation or action by Deloitte or any other party. Please confirm that he can count on that support. This is consistent with our previous understanding.

May we speak at 9 a.m. Monday morning or earlier to discuss and to review next steps?

Thank you.

24 March 2013 - Letter to Sen. David Tkachuk, Chair Senate BOIE

I am enclosing Senator's Duffy's personal cheque payable to the Receiver General for Canada in the amount of \$90,172.24, in repayment of the housing and living allowance paid to him since his appointment including interest calculated by the Steering Committee of the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration.

As Senator Duffy has already publicly declared, he claimed the allowance because he believed that he was entitled to do so. The Senate rules and the handbook he was given at the time of his appointment reinforced that view and certainly lacked clarity.

He is looking forward to the Senate's planned review of the rules for clarity on this issue.

However given the distraction and upset of all that has transpired to date, and the time and effort further legal and/or other action would entail, the Senator has decided, not to contest the matter and instead will pay the amount stipulated above.

With the delivery of this letter, he has now done so.

In the circumstances, the review that Deloitte has been asked to undertake is now unnecessary. The considerable time required for Senator Duffy to compile the extensive information and documentation required of him by Deloitte as well as his participation in the review of that material, to say nothing of the public expense involved in same, is no longer needed.

This whole matter has been extremely upsetting and painful for Senator Duffy and his family. We trust that with this ex gratia payment, he will now be able to return to devoting his full energies to his work as a Senator from PEI.

**YVT** 

Copies to Senators Furey, Stewart-Olsen, O'Brien and G Timm at Deloitte



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From:

Perrin, Benjamin

Sent:

March 26, 2013 12:09 PM

To:

Wright, Nigel; Novak, Ray; Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Fw: Senator Michael Duffy

Privileged

Fyi

From: Christine King [mailto:Christine.King@nelligan.ca]

Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2013 11:50 AM Eastern Standard Time

To: Perrin, Benjamin

Cc: Janice Payne <janice.payne@nelligan.ca>

**Subject:** Senator Michael Duffy

Mr. Perrin,

I am writing to advise that we have just sent the cheque to Senator Tkachuk by courier.

Christine King
Legal Assistant
Nelligan O'Brien Payne LLP
50 O'Connor, Suite 1500

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From:

Wright, Nigel

March 26, 2013 6:09 PM 'Stewart Olsen, Carolyn'

Subject:

RE: Duffy

No we did not. We told him that Deloitte had a mandate to look into the matter and could not, as a practical matter, decide of its own accord not to do that job. It would need an amended mandate or instruction from the subcommittee. I am advised that he has now repaid the amounts previously claimed.

----Original Message----

From: Stewart Olsen, Carolyn [mailto:stewac@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: March 26, 2013 6:01 PM

To: Wright, Nigel Subject: Duffy

Did you guys tell him that I would not agree to withdrawing the audit from the auditors?? Where did this come from? I don't care. If we have the money I am fine. The Libs may have problems but we can prob deal with that. The Leader won't agree.

Carolyn Stewart Olsen Senator, NB ------ Sent using BlackBerry

From:

Woodcock, Chris

Sent:

April 17, 2013 10:32 PM

To:

Wright, Nigel; McNamara, Joanne; Novak, Ray

Cc:

Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Fw: Global National

This Duffy piece is completely unnecessary. I've asked Tkachuk to confirm to Global that it is settled on behalf of the Committee.

Senator Expenses/ 18:40- 18:42/5th story/ Negative Mike Duffy clipped

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From: Hourigan, Carly

**Sent**: Wednesday, April 17, 2013 08:01 PM

To: PMO-IM: PMO-CMM **Subject**: Global National

Global National

April 17, 2013

Start: 18:30

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#### Boston/ 18:30-18:34/ Top Story/ Neutral

It appears as though authorities may be narrowing in on a suspect or suspects in the bombing at the Marathon finish line. Early this afternoon there were reports that someone had been arrested. That was later denied. It seems as though the FBI may have a face obtained from video footage but not an ID. They've been pouring over hundreds of hours of video. One clue came from a department store's video footage near the site. There are also still photos showing a suspect bag. A press conference keeps on being delayed and no one knows what's going on as of yet. Global interviews a Canadian family that witnessed the events and was questioned by homeland security when they returned to Canada. They said they wish they took more videos and could've helped in some way. The Secretary for homeland security for the US clipped: "There is no current indication to suggest the attack was indicative of a broader plot." Two hours ago the Boston Courthouse was evacuated under a code red. Everybody was asked to leave the building. No one is sure about the details as of yet.

Boston part II/18:34-18:37/ 2<sup>nd</sup> story/ Boston/ Neutral

The staff at the hospitals have had an intense day as well. Of the 176 people wounded in the attack, 14 are still in critical condition including a 5 year old boy. Doctors say they are still pulling fragments from the injured, including pieces of wood, concrete and plastic. Global reports on all of the acts of kindness Boston residents are showing each other. They also report on the three people who died.

Ricin found in letter sent to Rep. Senator/18:37-18:40/ 3rd story/ Neutral

The FBI says there is no indication the Boston Bombings are connected to the letters that were laced with the poison Ricin that were sent to Barack Obama, and to a Republican Sen. Roger Wicker. Shortly after President Obama briefed reporters on the Boston Bombing, he was briefed on another threat. **Jay Carney clipped:** "There was a letter addressed to, sent to, the President at an off-site mail facility was noticed to have contained a suspicious substance and tests were undertaken." **Mitch McConnell clipped:** "They prove that the proactive measures we put in place do in fact work." They measures were put into place after the anthrax incident in 2001. The letters came from Tennessee but they don't see any links between Boston and the letters at the moment.

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Thatcher's Funeral/ 18:44-18:47/ 6th Story/ Positive

Stephen Harper clipped

Prime Minister Stephen Harper led the official Canadian delegation at Thatcher's funeral today. **Prime Minister Harper clipped:** "Being able to really reflect on the passing of someone who is going to be a historic personage, a legend."

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## NDP attacks the Conservatives' tariffs /18:50- /8th story/ Negative

Global visits a local bike shop owner to discuss the rise in tariffs caused by the latest budget. Jose Bray tells Global, "Whenever you raise the price of a product and a portion of that goes to the government, I call that a tax." Selling bikes will be harder for Bray, says Global, because the Conservatives chose to end preferential tariffs on a variety of goods including bicycles. The government uses these tariffs to help emerging economies. By increasing the tariff, the government would increase revenue by \$330 million. The government promised not to raise taxes. But should it increase the tariffs, the costs of bikes, MP3 players, strollers, coffeee, even coffins may rise. The Finance Minister didn't give Bray any indication of this when he used his bike shop as a backdrop to talk about the economy. Flaherty clipped: "Small businesses are a key element of Canada's economic engine."

Global asked Menzies, "How is an increase in tariffs not a tax?" Menzies clipped replying: "Ask the NDP."

Murray Rankin clipped at the bike shop: "We understand it's not income taxes, but it's taxes and Canadians get it." Menzies clipped in QP: "Canadians have the lowest tax rate." The government says it has been reducing tariffs for the past four years and even with an increase overall tariffs are lower. The government also says many of the countries including China are benefitting from the tariffs when they realistically no longer need the support.

Rita MacNeil/ 18:56-18:59 /9th story/ Positive

#### Stephen Harper clipped

Report on the death of Rita MacNeil. **Prime Minister Harper clipped**: "A great Canadian performer, an icon and obviously a great loss to the cultural scene in Canada."

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent:** April 18, 2013 7:13 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back

Yes, I have no explanation. It will be odd when it becomes known that he paid the money back in March. It will anger me so much if he tries to get some back. We'll just unleash Tkachuk who will call him a thief.

From: Woodcock, Chris Sent: April 18, 2013 7:10 PM

To: Wright, Nigel

Subject: Fwd: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back

I think he may be denying repayment in hopes of getting some money back at the end of this process. Otherwise I cannot explain this.

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Fecteau Labbé, Simon <Simon.FecteauLabbe@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>

Date: April 18, 2013, 6:44:49 PM EDT

Subject: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back

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- With files from Rebecca Lindell

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: April 18, 2013 7:28 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back

I agree but can it be 'until the committee completes its work' instead of the 'final report' because he did

commit to pay preemptively.

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2013 07:23 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back

I would say he can do that. Maybe he would say that he misunderstood the question, or was simply

declining to comment on the amount of the repayment until he has seen the final report?

From: Woodcock, Chris Sent: April 18, 2013 7:20 PM To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Fwd: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back

FYI. I'd like to suggest that he contact Global to correct this, but he can't exactly dial this back to

neutral without confirming he repaid.

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: mdduffy@aol.com

Date: April 18, 2013, 7:18:11 PM EDT

To: "Chris Woodcock" < Chris. Woodcock@pmo-cpm.gc.ca > Subject: Re: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back

Reply-To: mdduffy@aol.com

They are twisting. As usual. I didn't confirm or deny.

Mike

Sent wirelessly from my BlackBerry device on the Bell network.

Envoyé sans fil par mon terminal mobile BlackBerry sur le réseau de Bell.

From: "Woodcock, Chris" < Chris. Woodcock@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>

Date: Thu, 18 Apr 2013 19:02:49 -0400

To: <mdduffy@aol.com>

Subject: Fw: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back

Are they misinterpreting your quote?

From: Fecteau Labbé, Simon

**Sent**: Thursday, April 18, 2013 06:44 PM

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Subject: Sen. Duffy admits he hasn't paid money back

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# Fwd: Things

1 message

Nigel Wright <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>

18 April 2013 20:02

To: "Woodcock, Chris" < Chris. Woodcock@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>, "Rogers, Patrick" < Patrick.Rogers@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>

---- Forwarded message ----

From: <mdduffy@aol.com> Date: 18 April 2013 19:27

Subject: Things

To: David Tkachuk <TKACHD@sen.parl.gc.ca>

David. I did not say yes or no on repayment. I simply told global to wait for deloittes. When they tried to put words in my mouth I demurred. I sent that letter u wanted this pm. Ran into marj after your meeting and told her the same thing re global.

Marj thinks we shud not act on the pei health card until after deloittes is finished.

Mac harb told me he has hired former supreme court judge michel bastarash to review the rules on residency and per diems. Mike

Sent wirelessly from my BlackBerry device on the Bell network.

Envoyé sans fil par mon terminal mobile BlackBerry sur le réseau de Bell.

From:

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April 18, 2013 8:24 PM
  ent:
                     Wright, Nigel
Cc:
                     Woodcock, Chris: PCO; Rogers, Patrick
Subject:
                     Re: Interview request - The West Block with Tom Clark
Thanks Nigel. I will add Patrick to future e-mails.
                                                             For some reason or other his
email address did not pop up on my IPad contact list.
                                                         Marjory.
Sent from my iPad
On 2013-04-18, at 7:59 PM, "Wright, Nigel" <Nigel.Wright@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:
> Thank you Senator. We agree with you that he should repeat that he is a man of his word
if he gets ambushed and, better yet, not get ambushed. I am adding Patrick.
> ----Original Message----
> From: LeBreton, Marjory [mailto:LEBREM@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]
> Sent: April 18, 2013 7:57 PM
> To: Woodcock, Chris: PCO
> Cc: Wright, Nigel
> Subject: Fwd: Interview request - The West Block with Tom Clark
                    He dropped into my office late this afternoon.
                                                                         He was all worked
about the media, rumours about the money owed, the actions of Internal Economy - you name
       I assured him that all of us are working on a plan to manage this once we have the
audits and have prepared the report to be tabled in the Senate.
                                                                   I told him once again
that he must trust us on this and not complicate the issue by talking to the media.
When he left, he seemed to understand.
                                         The Global story quoting him is not good but
  did get around to saying he was waiting for the audit.
                                                                 Marjory
> Sent from my iPad
> Begin forwarded message:
> From: "LeBreton, Marjory"
> <LEBREM@SEN.PARL.GC.CA<mailto:LEBREM@SEN.PARL.GC.CA>>
> Date: 18 April, 2013 7:32:41 PM EDT
> To: "'mdduffy@aol.com<mailto:mdduffy@aol.com>'"
> <mdduffy@aol.com<mailto:mdduffy@aol.com>>
> Subject: Re: Interview request - The West Block with Tom Clark
> Good idea. Mike - I know this is difficult but as discussed, please
> keep repeating that you are a man of your word and you are awaiting
> the report of the outside auditor. Better still, try and avoid taking
> calls or answering e-mails from the media. Marjory
> From: mdduffy@aol.com<mailto:mdduffy@aol.com> [mailto:mdduffy@aol.com]
> Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2013 07:20 PM Eastern Standard Time
> To: Marieke Walsh
> <Marieke.Walsh@globalnews.ca<mailto:Marieke.Walsh@globalnews.ca>>
> Subject: Re: Interview request - The West Block with Tom Clark
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  From: Marieke Walsh
  <Marieke.Walsh@globalnews.ca<mailto:Marieke.Walsh@globalnews.ca>>
                                                                           03000350
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LeBreton, Marjory [LEBREM@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

> Date: Thu, 18 Apr 2013 22:40:49 +0000

> To:

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> 'mdduffy@aol.com<mailto:mdduffy@aol.com>'<mdduffy@aol.com<mailto:mdduf
> fy@aol.com>>
> Subject: Interview request - The West Block with Tom Clark
 Hi Senator Duffy,
> Are you available for an interview on the show this Sunday? We can pre-tape tomorrow,
Saturday or go live-to-tape on Sunday morning.
> I look forward to hearing from you. Cheers,
> Marieke
>
> -----
> Marieke Walsh
> Producer
> The West Block with Tom Clark
> Cell: 613-769-5751
> @MariekeWalsh
> thewestblock.ca<http://thewestblock.ca>
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# Fwd: Jordan Press called my office again today going to write MD is a liar

1 message

Nigel Wright <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>

19 April 2013 10:19

To: "Woodcock, Chris" < Chris. Woodcock@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>, "Rogers, Patrick" < Patrick. Rogers@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>, Stephen Lecce < Stephen. Lecce@pmo.gc.ca>

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From: <MDDuffy@aol.com> Date: 19 April 2013 10:14

Subject: Jordan Press called my office again today going to write MD is a liar

To: mdduffy@aol.com

I have never met Jordan Press myself. What about having someone — say Stephen Lecce call Jordan with these lines as background? -Duff

19 April 2013

Proposed Media line for Jordan Press

Senator Duffy is s a man of his word.

Sen. Duffy repeated that mantra at the beginning of the Global interview yesterday. They based their claims on a later portion which dealt with "what if's".

When was the last time, Postmedia had to follow Global News?

Have you considered why CBC and CTV and the Globe aren't running this?

They know Sen. Duffy personally, and can read his shorthand, and I suspect they don't want to look foolish when the Deloitte audit comes out in a few weeks.

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: April 19, 2013 11:51 AM

To: Wright, Nigel; 'mdduffy@aol.com'; Lecce, Stephen; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Jordan Press called my office again today going to write MD is a liar

Fixed:

"Senator Duffy clearly said to Global that he is a man of his word. They based last night's story on his response to "what if" questions later in the interview. The Senate is working to ensure that expenses are appropriate, that the rules are appropriate and that this is reported back to the public. We won't have anything to add until the committee reports."

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 11:48 AM

To: Woodcock, Chris; 'mdduffy@aol.com' <mdduffy@aol.com>; Lecce, Stephen; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Jordan Press called my office again today going to write MD is a liar

Sure, although is this the time to transition to "until the committee reports" rather than Deloitte report? I'm easy.

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Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 11:44 AM

To: 'mdduffy@aol.com' <mdduffy@aol.com>; Lecce, Stephen; Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Jordan Press called my office again today going to write MD is a liar

Adding others. I would suggest the following:

"Senator Duffy clearly said to Global that he is a man of his word. They based last night's story on his response to "what if" questions later in the interview. The Senate is working to ensure that expenses are appropriate, that the rules are appropriate and that this is reported back to the public. We won't have anything to add until the audit from Deloitte is released."

From: MDDuffy@aol.com [mailto:MDDuffy@aol.com]

**Sent**: Friday, April 19, 2013 10:14 AM **To**: mdduffy@aol.com < mdduffy@aol.com >

Subject: Jordan Press called my office again today going to write MD is a liar

I have never met Jordan Press myself. What about having someone -- say Stephen Lecce call Jordan with these lines as background? -Duff

19 April 2013

Proposed Media line for Jordan Press

Senator Duffy is s a man of his word.

Sen. Duffy repeated that mantra at the beginning of the Global interview yesterday. They based their claims on a later portion which dealt with "what if's".

When was the last time, Postmedia had to follow Global News?

Have you considered why CBC and CTV and the Globe aren't running this?

They know Sen. Duffy personally, and can read his shorthand, and I suspect they don't want to look foolish when the Deloitte audit comes out in a few weeks.

From: Woodcock, Chris

**Sent:** April 19, 2013 5:14 PM

To: Lecce, Stephen; Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; Vallée, Carl

Subject: Re: Urgent - Duffy

Duffy will issue this so that he isn't being contradicted by Tkachuk. Tkachuk will confirm

From: Lecce, Stephen

**Sent:** Friday, April 19, 2013 05:13 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; Vallée, Carl

Subject: RE: Urgent - Duffy

#### **Statement for Senator Duffy:**

In February I committed to repaying the allowance associated with my house in Ottawa.

I have always said that I am a man of my word. In keeping with the commitment I made to Canadians, I can confirm that I have repaid these expenses.

I will not be commenting on this further until the audit is completed.

Sen. Tkachuk will confirm that the total repaid was \$90,172.24

----Original Message-----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: 2013-04-19 5:04 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Lecce, Stephen; Rogers, Patrick; Vallée, Carl

Subject: RE: Urgent - Duffy

Yes. What a schmozzle.

----Original Message----

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: April 19, 2013 4:58 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Lecce, Stephen; Rogers, Patrick; Vallée, Carl

Subject: Urgent - Duffy

Jordan Press has somehow confirmed that Duffy has repaid. I think we need to confirm to other media that are asking so we can end this confusing story. Global is running a story and CTV likely is too. Nigel are you ok with this?

Fo:

Wright, Nigel

April 22, 2013 3:30 PM

Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject:

RE: Duffy

Never heard of this. Is bad.

----Original Message----

From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: April 22, 2013 3:29 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Fw: Duffy

Fyi

---- Original Message ----

From: Stewart Olsen, Carolyn [mailto:stewac@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

Sent: Monday, April 22, 2013 03:22 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Duffy

Is asking to meet with Senate audit committee or the auditors themselves. Do you know why

he wants to escalate?

Sent from my iPad

From: Montgomery, Christopher [montgc@SEN.PARL.GC.CA]

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Cc: Melo, Sandy

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**Gary Timm** 

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rom: Wright, Nigel

Sent: April 23, 2013 6:23 PM

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'Melos@sen.parl.gc.ca'

Subject: Re: Confidential. Tkachuk/Duffy

I agree too that Steering should say what they propose.

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Thanks. This course of action makes sense. My only concern is Sen Duffy. Even though he claims he is careful in what he says and does, the evidence is the opposite! We have to be very careful what we say to him. Marjory

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# Fwd: Follow up

1 message

Nigel Wright <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>

30 April 2013 06:36

To: "Rogers, Patrick" < Patrick. Rogers@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>

The "specific issue" was Mike not looking for any kind of repayment.

----- Forwarded message ----

From: Goldy Hyder <Goldy. Hyder@hkstrategies.ca>

Date: 29 April 2013 23:20

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To: Nigel Wright <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>

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Re: Draft statement

03000371

1 message

**Goldy Hyder** <Goldy.Hyder@hkstrategies.ca> To: Nigel Wright <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>

2 May 2013 07:54

Ok.

From: Nigel Wright

Sent: Thursday, May 02, 2013 6:49:50 AM

To: Goldy Hyder

**Subject:** Re: Draft statement

I think it is fine Goldy. He might also be able to say that the \$1000 (I had heard it was about \$1500) in expenses were claimed "inadvertently" or through administrative inattention, or something like that - because the optics of claiming while on a Caribbean cruise aren't great.

On 1 May 2013 23:45, Goldy Hyder <Goldy.Hyder@hkstrategies.ca> wrote:

Am meeting him Thursday at 10am to present this first draft to him as he is leaving for pei Thursday and away until Sunday. Any thoughts you have on this are welcome and between us. I expect it will be tweaked here and there and a better concluding line likely about getting back to work or something to that effect - I just wanted you to see the content, direction and tone.

CAVENDISH, PEI – Senator Mike Duffy issued the following statement, regarding the Deloitte audit of the expenses of a number of senators released today.

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From:

Woodcock, Chris

Sent:

May 2, 2013 2:46 PM

To:

Wright, Nigel

Cc:

Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Audit

Yes, that is what she told me this morning. She just added that Beth Marshall expects the libs or

ndp to refer instead. This is obviously out of our hands

Sent from my iPad

On May 2, 2013, at 2:44 PM, "Wright, Nigel" < Nigel. Wright@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:

By fight, I assume she means that the Conservative Senators will vote that down, and quickly (not after weeks of debate).

From: Woodcock, Chris Sent: May 2, 2013 2:32 PM To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Fwd: Audit

FYI.

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Stewart Olsen, Carolyn"

<<u>Carolyn.StewartOlsen@sen.parl.gc.ca></u>

Date: May 2, 2013, 2:16:37 PM EDT

To: "Woodcock, Chris" <chris.woodcock@pmo.gc.ca>

Subject: Audit

Liberals putting pressure to send them out to RCMP. May be a fight if we can't diffuse. Will update you as I know. I said no. They will brief Justin next week

Carolyn Stewart Olsen Senator, NB -----

Sent using BlackBerry



## RE: Follow up

1 message

Goldy Hyder <Goldy.Hyder@hkstrategies.ca>

3 May 2013 02:42

To: Nigel Wright <nigel.s.wright@gmail.com>, "Rogers, Patrick" <Patrick.Rogers@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>

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Goldy,

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From: ent: Woodcock, Chris May 8, 2013 1:58 PM

7o:

Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel; van Hemmen, David

Subject:

Re: Report on Duffy

She tried that on me earlier! "Dave really wants this..."

---- Original Message ----

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 01:56 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris; van Hemmen, David

Subject: Re: Report on Duffy

You are correct. It was all Tkachuk's fault.

---- Original Message -----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 01:54 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris; van Hemmen, David

Subject: RE: Report on Duffy

Thank you Patrick. Sorry I didn't execute anything at caucus today. I am sure that she blamed someone else for the inflammatory language.

----Original Message----From: Rogers, Patrick Sent: May 8, 2013 1:54 PM

p: Woodcock, Chris; Wright, Nigel; van Hemmen, David

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The meeting is about to begin at 2pm.

I just met with CSO. I gave her our changes. She agreed with them 100%.

I reinforced with her that the implementing of all of the changes to the report was the fulfillment of her commitment to Nigel and our building. She indicated she understood this.

From:

Woodcock, Chris

Sent:

May 8, 2013 2:37 PM

To:

Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel

Subject: Re: Meeting

What!!!

**From:** Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 02:35 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Fw: Meeting

Here is the latest from the committee. This is unbelievable.

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Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 02:34 PM Eastern Standard Time

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Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 01:09 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rogers, Patrick

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**Subject**: Re: Meeting

My office? Barb can you send him number??? At 13:45?? Carolyn Stewart Olsen Senator, NB -----

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To: Stewart Olsen, Carolyn Subject: RE: Meeting

Where should we meet?

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**Patrick Rogers** 

Manager, Parliamentary Affairs | Gestionnaire, Affaires parlementaires Office of the Prime Minister | Cabinet du Premier ministre

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Sent: May 8, 2013 12:24 PM

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From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: May 8, 2013 3:04 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Meeting

I can stop by her office as soon as I'm done with the pm post-QP. If Chris is operating on the Minister's

instructions, she needs to know. If he is not, she definitely needs to know.

From: Wright, Nigel

**Sent**: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 03:00 PM **To**: Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE: Meeting

Do I need to call Marjory? They think they are hurting Duffy, but they will end up hurting the Prime

Minister.

From: Rogers, Patrick Sent: May 8, 2013 2:47 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Fw: Meeting

Latest.

From: Stewart Olsen, Carolyn [mailto:Carolyn.StewartOlsen@sen.parl.gc.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 02:41 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rogers, Patrick Subject: Re: Meeting

I am fight my way. No fun

Carolyn Stewart Olsen Senator, NB ------

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Further, the changes are changes that you had beforehand.

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From: ent: Subject: LeBreton

Wright, Nigel

May 8, 2013 3:42 PM

Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

RE:

Nice work guys. Thank you very much.

----Original Message----From: Woodcock, Chris Sent: May 8, 2013 3:42 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re:

We're done. Patrick made it happen.

---- Original Message -----

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 03:40 PM To: Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: RE:

Should I come over?

----Original Message----From: Rogers, Patrick Sent: May 8, 2013 3:30 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re:

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Montgomery,

Sandy CSO

This is epic. Montgomery is the problem.

---- Original Message -----

From: Rogers, Patrick

Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 03:15 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Fw:

I think you should call LeBreton.

---- Original Message ----

From: Stewart Olsen, Carolyn [mailto:Carolyn.StewartOlsen@sen.parl.gc.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 03:08 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Fw:

See below

Carolyn Stewart Olsen Senator, NB ----- Sent using BlackBerry

---- Original Message ----om: Montgomery, Christopher

ent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 03:06 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Stewart Olsen, Carolyn

Subject:

03000393

Talked to the boss. Says the report has to be consistent with the other two, that you need a claim to the money and that those paragraphs are crucial to the end.

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: May 8, 2013 7:11 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick; MacDougall, Andrew

Subject: RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

I think that this is really quite good.

From: Woodcock, Chris Sent: May 8, 2013 7:08 PM

**To:** Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick; MacDougall, Andrew **Subject:** FW: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

I think this statement captures the key messages for tomorrow. This would be Senator LeBreton's statement outside the Senate, followed by a short Q&A. Let me know if you have any comments or changes. I have a statement from Duffy I am also reviewing.

# DRAFT- May 9, 2013

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### RCMP?

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From: Quinney, Johanna [mailto:Johanna.Quinney@sen.parl.gc.ca]

Sent: May 8, 2013 6:21 PM

**To:** Montgomery, Christopher; Woodcock, Chris **Subject:** RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

### **DRAFT-May 9, 2013**

- We committed to ensuring that all expenses are appropriate, that the rules governing these expenses are appropriate and to report back to the public on these matters. Today this promise has been met by the committee.
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- Senator Duffy respects taxpayers and did the right thing by repaying money to ensure that his expenses are appropriate.
- The committee will now recover the living expenses claimed by Senators Harb and Brazeau.

- The auditors made it clear there is no need for these matters to be referred to a third party.
- We committed to tightening the rules in an effort to make the Senate more accountable and today the committee has fulfilled this obligation.

**From:** Montgomery, Christopher

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 08, 2013 6:19 PM

**To:** 'Woodcock, Chris' **Cc:** Quinney, Johanna

Subject: RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

No. will ask for that now.

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**Sent:** Wednesday, May 08, 2013 6:19 PM

To: Montgomery, Christopher

Cc: Ouinney, Johanna

Subject: RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Ok. Have you seen Tkachuk's proposed statement for the Senate?

From: Montgomery, Christopher [mailto:Chris.Montgomery@sen.parl.gc.ca]

Sent: May 8, 2013 6:18 PM

**To:** Woodcock, Chris **Cc:** Quinney, Johanna

**Subject:** RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

My understanding is not but we can push her. In fairness to her, we don't know where the Liberals are at the moment and the committee cannot issue anything publicly unless both sides sign off. Tkachuk could on his own but...

I'll ask her to work pull something together in any event.

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**Sent:** Wednesday, May 08, 2013 6:11 PM

To: Montgomery, Christopher

**Subject:** RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Is there still a background/summary document coming? That's a key part of the rollout tomorrow. I'd write it myself, but don't have access to the reports.

From: Montgomery, Christopher [mailto:Chris.Montgomery@sen.parl.gc.ca]

**Sent:** May 8, 2013 6:10 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris

**Subject:** RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Yes and for your use. I gather CSO has abandoned everything else.

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Thx. Is this for Min Lebreton's comments outside the Senate?

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Johanna is flipping you lines momentarily.

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To: Montgomery, Christopher

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From: Woodcock, Chris

Sent: May 8, 2013 8:44 PM

To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: RE: Duffy Statement

I wasn't sure and am glad I asked. I will suggest that change to him.

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: May 8, 2013 8:42 PM

**To:** Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick **Subject:** RE: Duffy Statement

Ocops Chris. This is the statement that I saw from Goldy last weekend and I told him I thought was fine (it reflects a couple of changes I asked for). I wanted him to make clear that the egregious claim of the \$1050 was made erroneously. Otherwise, it was potentially a fraud (claiming per diems while on a cruise) — as it turns out it was an administrative error. I do think that he made the other claims in good faith, believing it to be the standard practice. Good faith is the opposite of fraud, but it is not the opposite of mistake. I would not mind if you were able to add "albeit mistakenly" or something like that after the good faith words.

From: Woodcock, Chris Sent: May 8, 2013 8:35 PM To: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

**Subject:** Duffy Statement

Here is the statement Duffy wants to issue tomorrow. I'm fine with everything but the fourth and fifth paragraphs which proclaim his innocence. I'm worried that this implausible statement will prompt some kind of retaliation from CSO or Tkachuk. Nigel am I able to say that this goes against the deal we have had to date? The best possible reaction from Senator Duffy tomorrow would be to remind people that he voluntarily repaid and say nice things about transparency.

## Statement by Senator Mike Duffy

CAVENDISH, PEI – In recent months, I have heard and understood the concerns of Canadians about Senators' expenses. When questions like these arise involving those entrusted with the use of tax dollars, Canadians deserve nothing but the highest standards of transparency and clarity in response. These questions go beyond mere rules and administration, and strike at the high standards of integrity Canadians expect of Parliament.

The Deloitte audit of expenses claimed by me and other senators has been a fair, impartial effort by a credible third party to deliver that level of transparency and clarity. This audit has indicated that there is a 'lack of clarity' in the Senate's rules and definitions with regard to residency and housing allowances. In this respect, the audit is consistent with the position I have maintained since this controversy first arose.

But while the rules themselves may have been unclear, my duty as a Senator and as a custodian of Canadian tax dollars is absolutely clear. I believe it is incumbent upon me as a parliamentarian to put questions about my expenses to rest.

The Deloitte audit revealed a single claim, totaling \$1050.60, which I erroneously claimed due to an administrative oversight. I should have noticed the error at the time, but did not. That claim was repaid in March, prior to the completion of the Deloitte audit, as part of a total reimbursement of just over \$90,000. This covered all of the expenses I was paid as a result of having to maintain two residences; one on Prince Edward Island, another in Ottawa. I will not be seeking the return of any portion of this reimbursement even though these expenses were claimed in good faith.

When I discussed these issues with my wife in February, we came to the conclusion that repaying the \$90 thousand was the right thing to do, regardless of the outcome of the audit that was to come. It was the right decision that

that was to come. It was the right decision then, and it is the right decision now.

I can only effectively represent the people of Prince Edward Island if I have earned their trust and respect. I am honoured to serve the people of my home province, and with the actions I have taken, I feel confident I can look them in the eye and assure them I am doing so with integrity. With these matters now dealt with, my focus going forward will remain: to be the most effective representative I can be for my fellow Islanders.

I am pleased the Senate has decided in light of Deloitte's findings, to now clarify the rules and definitions with respect to residency and housing allowances. This is a positive outcome emerging from a regrettable set of circumstances, and I am pleased that a new set of Senate rules will be in place for the benefit of Canadian taxpavers.

As a former journalist, I understand and respect the media's interest in this issue. I have responded to these matters with my actions, as outlined above. I am declining any further media requests.

Contact: Mélanie Mercer (613-947-4163)

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: May 9, 2013 6:00 AM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: Re: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

I got nothing from Duffy.

From: Woodcock, Chris

**Sent**: Thursday, May 09, 2013 05:54 AM **To**: Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

Subject: FW: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Update from the other place. Were either of you copied on Duffy's note following his appearance? I can share it. Note I agreed to some minor adjustments to Min LeBreton's statement in the conversation below.

From: Montgomery, Christopher [mailto:Chris.Montgomery@sen.parl.qc.ca]

**Sent:** May 8, 2013 10:34 PM

**To:** Woodcock, Chris **Cc:** Quinney, Johanna

Subject: Re: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Just got off the phone with Tkachuk. He said it was a tough slog but went fine. They got through Harb and Brazeau and although there was no vote the report was "unanimous". Both will be adopted tomorrow after they go through the Duffy report.

Tkachuk, based on conversations with Furey, believes the Liberals will abstain from voting on the reports (how that jives with their support tonight?) And that Cowan will say tomorrow that the committee has done what was asked of it and did a good job but that they should be referred to independent outside body without using the words police or rcmp.

To that, we can respond that the issues were referred to an outside authority - the reputable firm of Deloitte - and that we have their reports and have responded accordingly.

**From:** Woodcock, Chris [mailto:Chris.Woodcock@pmo-cpm.gc.ca] **Sent:** Wednesday, May 08, 2013 09:29 PM Eastern Standard Time

To: Montgomery, Christopher

**Subject**: Re: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

**Thanks** 

**From**: Montgomery, Christopher [mailto:Chris.Montgomery@sen.parl.gc.ca]

**Sent**: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 09:27 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Quinney, Johanna < Johanna.Quinney@sen.parl.gc.ca>

**Subject**: Re: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Awesome. Thanks. The committee is still going at it I'm told. Based on the tenure this afternoon I think that may be positive but who the hell knows. Ill give you any updates as I receive them.

From: Woodcock, Chris [mailto:Chris.Woodcock@pmo-cpm.gc.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 09:25 PM Eastern Standard Time

**To**: Montgomery, Christopher; Quinney, Johanna **Subject**: Re: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Thanks. Your comments make sense. The line on the Liberals will need to be adjusted based on events. I'm fine with saying the Committee considers the matter closed (this should also be clearly stated by Tkachuk). On Harb and Brazeau, I replaced "inappropriate" with "not entitled" for the same reason you cite. I'm ok with whichever doesn't carry a legal risk.

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Sorry for the delay.

I generally quite like what you've produced here but will just make a couple of points.

I like the line "We did so against the objections of Liberal Senators who wanted to protect the current rules." If it ends up being accurate. Despite what CSO mentionned to us, the Liberals hadn't landed on an approach at that time. We will know more on this late tonight or tomorrow but may have to drop it.

The line "This repayment has been accepted and the Senate considers the matter closed." Will not be accurate when she goes out as, even if the Liberals accept the report, it will not have been adopted. We can work something though and can use this language later in the day once/if the report is adopted. We could for example, early in the afternoon say "the committe" instead of "the Senate" and adjust later in the day if possible. I don't want to be a stickler but also want to protect her re privilege etc.

In a similar vane, with Harb and Brazeau, I think she needs to be careful about lawsuits and would suggest changing "claimed expenses to which they were not entitled" to "claimed expenses which were inappropriate." That follows the line we've been using to date and reflects the views of the committee in a way that also doesn't make as lrage a jump from the audits which were inconclusive.

Other than that, I'm good. I think she'll be more comfortable doing this without notes but she will work with it and get the message out.

On Tkachuk's statement, they just have a shell at this point and are waiting for decisions of the committee. I'll press first thing in the am.

On the highlights/background, I asked CSO and she gave only a curt answer. I think she's a bit overwhelmed this afternoon/evening but I'll go back at her in the morning. I'm in a similar position to you not having seen all of the material...

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Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 07:17 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Quinney, Johanna < Johanna.Quinney@sen.parl.gc.ca>

**Subject:** Re: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

None

**From**: Woodcock, Chris [mailto:Chris.Woodcock@pmo-cpm.gc.ca] **Sent**: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 07:16 PM Eastern Standard Time

**To**: Montgomery, Christopher; Quinney, Johanna **Subject**: Re: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Ok. Does the Minister speak any french? Just wondering if we could work in a line or two.

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Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 07:14 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris; Quinney, Johanna < Johanna.Quinney@sen.parl.gc.ca>

**Subject**: Re: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Honestly, I would suggest not despite the policy. The only one we can go to is Carignan and, while he doesn't go off message per se he can't keep to short concise answers reflective of the lines which I would worry about in this case. And, Buzzetti et co who cover us like the boss and quote her.

**From**: Woodcock, Chris [mailto:Chris.Woodcock@pmo-cpm.gc.ca] **Sent**: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 07:09 PM Eastern Standard Time

**To:** Quinney, Johanna; Montgomery, Christopher **Subject**: RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Thanks. I have some thoughts on this and will get back to you shortly. Should we be appointing a French spokesman to handle questions in French tomorrow?

From: Quinney, Johanna [mailto:Johanna.Quinney@sen.parl.gc.ca]

Sent: May 8, 2013 6:21 PM

**To:** Montgomery, Christopher; Woodcock, Chris **Subject:** RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

#### **DRAFT- May 9, 2013**

- We committed to ensuring that all expenses are appropriate, that the rules governing these expenses are appropriate and to report back to the public on these matters. Today this promise has been met by the committee.
- The audits indicate that the rules governing expenses were unclear and Internal Economy has taken significant steps to strengthen these rules.

- Senator Duffy respects taxpayers and did the right thing by repaying money to ensure that his expenses are appropriate.
- The committee will now recover the living expenses claimed by Senators Harb and Brazeau.
- The auditors made it clear there is no need for these matters to be referred to a third party.
- We committed to tightening the rules in an effort to make the Senate more accountable and today the committee has fulfilled this obligation.

**From:** Montgomery, Christopher

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 08, 2013 6:19 PM

**To:** 'Woodcock, Chris' **Cc:** Quinney, Johanna

**Subject:** RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

No. will ask for that now.

**Chris Montgomery** 

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Ok. Have you seen Tkachuk's proposed statement for the Senate?

From: Montgomery, Christopher [mailto:Chris.Montgomery@sen.parl.qc.ca]

Sent: May 8, 2013 6:18 PM

**To:** Woodcock, Chris **Cc:** Quinney, Johanna

Subject: RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

My understanding is not but we can push her. In fairness to her, we don't know where the Liberals are at the moment and the committee cannot issue anything publicly unless both sides sign off. Tkachuk could on his own but...

I'll ask her to work pull something together in any event.

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**Sent:** Wednesday, May 08, 2013 6:11 PM

To: Montgomery, Christopher

**Subject:** RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Is there still a background/summary document coming? That's a key part of the rollout tomorrow. I'd write it myself, but don't have access to the reports.

**From:** Montgomery, Christopher [mailto:Chris.Montgomery@sen.parl.qc.ca]

Sent: May 8, 2013 6:10 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris

**Subject:** RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Yes and for your use. I gather CSO has abandoned everything else.

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Thx. Is this for Min Lebreton's comments outside the Senate?

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**Sent:** May 8, 2013 6:08 PM

To: Woodcock, Chris

**Subject:** RE: Any sign of products for tomorrow?

Johanna is flipping you lines momentarily.

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### **Chris Woodcock**

Director of Issues Management / Directeur de la Gestion des enjeux Office of the Prime Minister / Cabinet du Premier ministre +1 (613) 992-4211

rom:

Woodcock, Chris

Sent:

May 9, 2013 6:00 AM

To:

Wright, Nigel; Rogers, Patrick

Subject:

FW: Notes from Thursday BOIE FY!

Attachments: BOIE 8 May 2013.rtf

From: MDDuffy@aol.com [mailto:MDDuffy@aol.com]

Sent: May 8, 2013 10:33 PM

To: janice.payne@nelligan.ca; christopher.rootham@nelligan.ca

Subject: Notes from Thursday BOIE FYI

**BOIE 8 May 2013** 

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**Sent:** May 9, 2013 11:16 AM

To: Rogers, Patrick; Wright, Nigel

Subject: RE: Duffy

I spoke to Duffy. He won't do any media and will stay away from the Chamber today.

From: Rogers, Patrick

**Sent:** May 9, 2013 10:59 AM **To:** Wright, Nigel; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Re: Duffy

I will call Goldy.

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Thursday, May 09, 2013 10:57 AM Eastern Standard Time

To: Rogers, Patrick; Woodcock, Chris

Subject: Fw: Duffy

I am unable to follow up on this right now. Goldy might be able to.

From: Wright, Nigel

Sent: Thursday, May 09, 2013 10:54 AM

To: 'Marjory.LeBreton@sen.parl.gc.ca' <Marjory.LeBreton@sen.parl.gc.ca>

Subject: Re: Duffy

We are on it.

**From**: LeBreton, Marjory [mailto:Marjory.LeBreton@sen.parl.gc.ca]

**Sent**: Thursday, May 09, 2013 10:38 AM

**To:** Wright, Nigel **Subject:** Duffy

Hi Nigel - Is there any way we can get Duffy to stay away and most importantly avoid any media

contact. By his appearance at Internal Economy he has really complicated our day! Thanks Marjory



Mige! Wright <nige!.s wright@gmail com>

#### (no subject)

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14 May 2013 22:52

Janice: 20 Feb 2013

Before we chat Thursday, an update on today.

Mary and I copied and redacted my 4 years of diaries; added a summary of my days in PEI, and pics of the cottage under construction etc. and sent it to Nigel by Purolator. We were having freezing rain. But barring a storm delay, he should have it Thursday morning. Nigel called last night. I have more details below, but there are two headlines:

- 1: He said he had heard that Deloitte might make a ruling on me next week, based on what they had seen from The Senate, without hearing from us.
- 2: He said the steering committee of Internal Economy was preparing to issue their own report early next week on the issue of "residency." I.e.: They would trump Deloitte by saying that their analysis of my health card etc. showed I was in violation if the rules and I wasn't eligible to sit as a Senator from PEI.

During the day I had several calls.

Sen. Vern White, former Ottawa Police Chief called, and said he wanted to chat. I said I was on deadline. Too busy.

David Tkachuk called to say that if I would write a letter saying I had made an error, and offering to re-pay, the committee would agree to pull my case from Deloitte. I told him I had not made a final decision, but as they had sent me to Deloitte over my string objections, they would have to wear it.

I'm sure he reported this to Nigel.

Then my old personal triend Angelo Persichilli, who is expecting an appointment called, urging the same thing. You will be all alone. Your party against you, the Libs against you, the media against you. I said; I admire Harper, but I have to be able to look myself in the mirror, etc.

Then Nigel called tonight. I told him what I had sent. He was expansive, saying we (PMO) had been working on lines and a scenario for me, that would cover all of my concerns, including cash for the repayment.

He then mentioned days on PEI, and I read him the totals from my document. I said any busy MP or Senator would be pressed to have more days in their ridings. ("I'll look at your diaries with care when they arrive. Maybe you're right. But my sense is Deloitte will find against you". I then said; if that happens, I'il call my bank. I did NOT say I would re-pay.

Somewhere in the midst of this he said the steering committee of Internal Economy was preparing to issue their own report on the issue of "residency." le: They would trump Deloitte by saying that their analysis if my file showed I was in violation if the rules and I wasn't eligible to sit as a Senator from PEI.

I asked, where does this committee get the power to pronounce on these things? Sounds to me like they are way out of their depth. No one gave them authority to make these findings on their own. He said David Tkachuk, and Carolyn Stewart Olsen were the majority on the steering committee and they wanted to do this.

I said nothing.

So that's the hammer. He didn't make a threat, he said he was trying to protect me from this rogue subcommittee. But the threat seems obvious. You take the dive or this sub-committee will throw you out on the residency issue before you've had any kind of hearing.

He also said you had not seen the diaries, and seemed to imply that he was thus in a better position than you to determine whether or not I was entitled to the housing allowance.

Sent from my iPad



February 14, 2013

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BY COURIER AND E-MAIL: janice payne@nelligan.ca

Dear Ms. Payne:

The Honourable Senator Michael Duffy Re: Your File No. 16138-2

I am in receipt of your letter dated February 8, 2013, in which you advise that Nelligan O'Brien Payne LLP has been retained by Senator Duffy for advice and representation on the issues that have arisen concerning his travel and living expenses:

In that letter you also raise some concern about the authority of a subcommittee of the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration ("Internal Economy Committee" or "Committee") to refer the matter concerning Senator Duffy's residency declarations and related expenses to an external auditor.

You cite correctly the authority, found in rule 12-7 of the Rules of the Senate, of the Internal Economy Committee "(a) to consider, on its own initiative, all financial and administrative matters concerning the Senate's internal administration; and (2) subject to the Senate Administration Rules, to act on all financial and administrative matter concerning the internal administration of the Senate and to interpret and determine the propriety of any use of Senate

The Parliament of Canada Act, R.S.C., 1985, c. P-1, which provides for the function of the Internal Economy Committee "to act on all financial and administrative matters respecting (a) the Senate, its premises, its services and its staff; and (b) the members of the Senate", at subsection 19.3, also provides for the exercise of any of these powers by the Steering Committee where the chair of the Internal Economy Committee deems that there is an emergency, at subsection 19.1(5).

The Internal Economy Committee is responsible for the good administration of the Senate, which includes ensuring that Senate resources are used properly for carrying out parliamentary functions and in accordance with the law, rules and policies of the Senate. There is an obvious overarching public interest in carrying out this responsibility: the dignity and reputation of the Senate, and the public's trust and confidence in Parliament.

While the Internal Economy Committee could carry out all aspects of its authority and power, the demands of the parliamentary calendar and parliamentary functions of its member senators require it to work through its Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure ("Steering Committee") and subcommittees that it may establish from time to time.

On December 6, 2012, amidst concerns in the media on the legitimacy of housing allowance claims made by certain senators, the Internal Economy Committee ordered the Senate Administration to conduct an internal audit to assess whether senators' declarations of primary and secondary residence are supported by appropriate documentation. The oversight of this internal audit mandate fell on the Audit Subcommittee, which oversees and directs the internal audit function by virtue of the Senate Policy on Internal Audit.

During the course of the audit process, the Audit Subcommittee determined that an independent external review and opinion with respect to Senator Duffy would be beneficial to the Committee and the Senator. The external auditors would provide an independent audit opinion on the matter, which would assist the Subcommittee in its work and in preparing the resulting report to be made to the Internal Economy Committee, if necessary. This course of action was the most appropriate in the circumstances as Senator Duffy would be invited to meet with the external auditors and given an opportunity to be heard.

The decision to refer the matter to external auditors at Deloitte was supported by the Steering Committee on Thursday, February 7, 2013. The concerns involving Senator Duffy were deemed to be of such importance and urgency that both immediate consideration and expedient action were required. This decision was reported on today and ratified by the Internal Economy-Committee at its meeting.

In closing, Senator Duffy, if he so wishes, may meet with the Internal Economy Committee to make representations and provide information that could assist the Committee in the furtherance of its mandate with respect to his situation. I wish to point out that it was always my view that Senator Duffy would be provided opportunities to be heard at the various stages of this process, including before the Internal Economy Committee when the report of the auditors is received.

Sincerely,

The Honourable David Tkachuk, P.C., Senator

Chair, Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration

The Honourable Marjory Lebreton, P.C., Leader of the Government in the Senate (via email: lebrem@sen.parl.gc.ca)

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