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The Honorable Greg Fergus, P.C., M.P
Speaker of the House of Commons
House of Commons
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Subject: Notice pursuant to the House of Commons' Order of June 10, 2024

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I am writing further to my letter of July 17, 2024 regarding the Order of the House of Commons of June 10, 2024 (the "Order") requesting the production of documents from the government, Sustainable Development Technology Canada (SDTC) and the Auditor General of Canada. The Order states, in part, that:

> (h) the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel shall promptly thereafter notify the Speaker whether each entity produced documents as ordered, and the Speaker, in turn, shall forthwith inform the House of the notice of the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel but, if the House stands adjourned, the Speaker shall lay the notice upon the table pursuant to Standing Order 32(1); and
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> (i) the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel shall provide forthwith any documents received by him, pursuant to this order, to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police [RCMP].

On August 8, 2024, the Canada School of Public Service provided me with a letter accompanied with the same documents they provided my Office on July 9, 2024, but this time unredacted in their entirety. A copy of the letter I received is reproduced at Annex A.

Further, on August 16, 2024, my Office provided the RCMP with a USB key containing the documents I have received from the government and SDTC to date, in accordance with subparagraph (i) of the Order.

In conformity with the Order, I will continue to notify you of the receipt of other documents.

Also, pursuant to paragraph (h) of the Order, I will make arrangements to have this notice included, in your name, in the Journals of Wednesday, August 21, 2024.

Yours sincerely,

Michel Bédard
Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel

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ANNEX A

August 8, 2024

Mr. Michel Bédard
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Dear Mr. Bédard,

On July 9, 2024, pursuant to a motion adopted on June 10, 2024 by the House of Commons, requesting "(a) all files, documents, briefing notes, memoranda, e-mails or any other correspondence exchanged among government officials regarding Sustainable Development Technology Canada (SDTC);…created or dated since January 1, 2017", I sent you all of the materials on this matter in the possession of the Canada School of Public Service.

Due to an administrative error on my part, the materials redacted information that I believed to be personal in nature. I no longer believe this to be the case. I sincerely regret this error and offer my apologies.

Attached, please find the initial same materials, in entirely unredacted form.

Sincerely,

Taki Sarantakis

Attachment (1)