



Banner Page

Document ID:
Investigation: DUNPHY – 2015-376186

Document Title

Doc Description

How Received

When Received

Date

Document Type:

Document Summary:

Letter from Andrew BOLAND to Erin BREEN.

This is a copy of a document already in the system

POC Content

Secured for Hold Back or Disclosure Issues

Vetting

Submitted/Recommended/Approved By

Date 2015-11-30

Number ID	Category	Reason
82	T	
Erin BREEN	P	
Andrew BOLAND	P	



Royal Canadian Mounted Police / Gendarmerie royale du Canada

Criminal Operations Branch
P.O. Box 9700
St. John's, NL
A1A 3T5

Security Classification / Désignation de Classification
Protected "A"

Your File / Votre

Our File / Votre

2015376186

April 20, 2015

COPY

Erin K. Breen
Simmonds + Partners Defence
Suite 300, 233 Duckworth Street
St. John's, NL
A1C 1G8

Dear Ms. Breen:

Re: RCMP Investigation into the Death of Mr. Donald Dunphy

Thank you for your letter dated April 16, 2015.

I have given careful consideration to the concerns highlighted in your letter related to the investigation into the circumstances surrounding the shooting death of Mr. Donald Dunphy. I have met with the Officer in Charge of our provincial Major Crimes Unit and provided him with a copy of your letter and have asked that he review it with the intent of directing any investigational follow-up that may be warranted or deemed appropriate.

Your letter references a specific request, on behalf of your client, Ms. Meghan Dunphy, that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police call for an independent external investigation, to be completed by a police service outside of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, to take carriage of both the *Criminal Code* investigation and the *Fatalities Investigation Act* investigation. Having an outside police service conduct this specific investigation on behalf of, or at the request of the RCMP, was one of several options considered from the onset of this incident. It was determined that engaging an independent observer, impartial of influence or interference, would afford sufficient oversight in the interest of transparency and public confidence. I have every confidence in the manner in which this investigation is progressing, with the independent observation being provided by Justice David Riche (Retired).

Justice Riche has unfettered access to all aspects of this investigation and he will be providing me with a written report regarding his observations of the independence and thoroughness of the investigation. Should Justice Riche raise concerns, at any time during the course of this investigation, I will address same accordingly.

Sincerely,

Andrew Boland, Chief Superintendent
Criminal Operations Officer, "B" Division
Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Newfoundland and Labrador