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From: Taipalus, Madison (SPAC/PSPC)
Sent: June 26, 2020 4:07 PM
To: Church, Leslie (SPAC/PSPC); Mullan-Boudreau, Caitlin (SPAC/PSPC); fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC)
Cc: Gerasimov, Boyan (SPAC/PSPC); Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC); Cardinal, Cheryl (SPAC/PSPC); Lockington, Elliott (SPAC/PSPC); Laycock, Tristan (SPAC/PSPC)
Subject: RE: FOR MINISTER SIGNATURE - 162624 - Letter to Minister - Possible conflict of interest between Dynamic Air Shelters and the COVID-19 Supply Council
Attachments: Email - Minister_s response 162624 MT edits.doc

Updated with Leslie's addition. Might be too late to add into the weekend binder, but I can include for Monday.

Madison

From: Church, Leslie (SPAC/PSPC)
Sent: June 26, 2020 15:52
To: Mullan-Boudreau, Caitlin (SPAC/PSPC) <caitlin.mullan-boudreau@canada.ca>; fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC) <james.fitz-morris@canada.ca>
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I see the point. The new letter is missing a key point of context that was in the first letter that I've added here in highlight.

Supply Council members, including Ms. Bennett, were required to sign a non-disclosure agreement prior to volunteering their time for the work of the Council. Members were also asked to disclose any instances where their involvement in the Council could lead to a conflict of interest. These requirements are in place to ensure the transparency of the Council's function in providing the Government with advice as part of Canada's COVID-19 response and recovery.

From: Mullan-Boudreau, Caitlin (SPAC/PSPC)
Sent: June 26, 2020 2:23 PM
To: fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC) <james.fitz-morris@canada.ca>
Cc: Gerasimov, Boyan (SPAC/PSPC) <boyan.gerasimov@canada.ca>; Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC) <cecely.roy@canada.ca>; Cardinal, Cheryl (SPAC/PSPC) <cheryl.cardinal@canada.ca>; Taipalus, Madison (SPAC/PSPC) <madison.taipalus@canada.ca>; Church, Leslie (SPAC/PSPC) <leslie.church@canada.ca>; Lockington, Elliott (SPAC/PSPC) <elliott.lockington@canada.ca>; Laycock, Tristan (SPAC/PSPC) <tristan.laycock@canada.ca>
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Looping back on this. We've already used the exact language in our first response to MP Ashton.

James - do you still have concerns, for consistency's case I recommend we leave as is. Attaching all letters again here for reference.

CMB

From: fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC)
Sent: June 26, 2020 11:45 AM
To: Mullan-Boudreau, Caitlin (SPAC/PSPC) <caitlin.mullan-boudreau@canada.ca>
Cc: Gerasimov, Boyan (SPAC/PSPC) <boyan.gerasimov@canada.ca>; Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC) <cecely.roy@canada.ca>; Cardinal, Cheryl (SPAC/PSPC) <cheryl.cardinal@canada.ca>; Taipalus, Madison (SPAC/PSPC) <madison.taipalus@canada.ca>; Church, Leslie (SPAC/PSPC) <leslie.church@canada.ca>; Lockington, Elliott (SPAC/PSPC) <elliott.lockington@canada.ca>; Laycock, Tristan (SPAC/PSPC) <tristan.laycock@canada.ca>
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She did...

I'm just saying that (unless I'm missing something) NDA's are about keeping things confidential - not about enhancing transparency.

On Jun 26, 2020, at 11:41 AM, Mullan-Boudreau, Caitlin (SPAC/PSPC) <caitlin.mullan-boudreau@canada.ca> wrote:

Didn't MAA state at OGGO that each member signed an NDA...?

From: fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC)
Sent: June 26, 2020 11:30 AM
To: Gerasimov, Boyan (SPAC/PSPC) <boyan.gerasimov@canada.ca>; Mullan-Boudreau, Caitlin (SPAC/PSPC) <caitlin.mullan-boudreau@canada.ca>; Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC) <cecely.roy@canada.ca>; Cardinal, Cheryl (SPAC/PSPC) <cheryl.cardinal@canada.ca>
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Tiny quibble from me with these two lines:

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Not sure how a non-disclosure agreement ensures transparency...
I see it being something she would poke fun at us about on Twitter.

Can we say they were required to sign "an undertaking" or even just "an agreement"?

From: Gerasimov, Boyan (SPAC/PSPC)
Sent: June 26, 2020 10:57 AM
To: Mullan-Boudreau, Caitlin (SPAC/PSPC) <caitlin.mullan-boudreau@canada.ca>; fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC) <james.fitz-morris@canada.ca>; Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC) <cecely.roy@canada.ca>; Cardinal, Cheryl (SPAC/PSPC) <cheryl.cardinal@canada.ca>
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I am good with this. Only small edit required is to state "To date, **three** meetings of the Supply Council have taken place..."

Boyan Gerasimov

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From: Mullan-Boudreau, Caitlin (SPAC/PSPC)
Sent: June 26, 2020 10:42 AM
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Cc: Taipalus, Madison (SPAC/PSPC) <madison.taipalus@canada.ca>; Church, Leslie (SPAC/PSPC) <leslie.church@canada.ca>; Lockington, Elliott (SPAC/PSPC) <elliott.lockington@canada.ca>; Laycock, Tristan (SPAC/PSPC) <tristan.laycock@canada.ca>
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Hi all – bumping this response. Parl Affairs has given a go-ahead post INAN appearance. Want to make sure everyone else is okay before we send to MAA for approval (hopefully today!)

Thanks
CMB

From: Taipalus, Madison (SPAC/PSPC)
Sent: June 15, 2020 5:29 PM
To: Mullan-Boudreau, Caitlin (SPAC/PSPC) <caitlin.mullan-boudreau@canada.ca>
Cc: Church, Leslie (SPAC/PSPC) <leslie.church@canada.ca>; Gerasimov, Boyan (SPAC/PSPC) <boyan.gerasimov@canada.ca>; fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC) <james.fitz-morris@canada.ca>; Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC) <cecely.roy@canada.ca>; Laycock, Tristan (SPAC/PSPC) <tristan.laycock@canada.ca>; Lockington, Elliott (SPAC/PSPC) <elliott.lockington@canada.ca>
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Just bumping this again, I spoke to Caitlin and we defer to Elliott on timing for this one, considering INAN is coming up again and not sure if you want to send the letter back to Ashton's office before or after.

From: Taipalus, Madison (SPAC/PSPC)
Sent: June 9, 2020 12:01
To: Mullan-Boudreau, Caitlin (SPAC/PSPC) <caitlin.mullan-boudreau@canada.ca>
Cc: Church, Leslie (SPAC/PSPC) <leslie.church@canada.ca>; Gerasimov, Boyan (SPAC/PSPC) <boyan.gerasimov@canada.ca>; fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC) <james.fitz-morris@canada.ca>; Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC) <cecely.roy@canada.ca>
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Hey all, here is the response to the chain of correspondence with Ashton's office. I think the response is good, lays out the dates clearly, explains we can't share info about the bidders to the RFP, and redirects questions re: Ms. Bennett to her, as she was the one who resigned.

What do you think?

Madison

From: Esther Christensen [<mailto:Esther.Christensen@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca>]
Sent: June 8, 2020 15:31
To: Taipalus, Madison (SPAC/PSPC) <madison.taipalus@canada.ca>
Subject: FW: FOR MINISTER SIGNATURE - 162624 - Letter to Minister - Possible conflict of interest between Dynamic Air Shelters and the COVID-19 Supply Council

Hi Madison, please find this correspondence ready for the Minister's signature. Please send it back once signed.

For Minister's signature file 162624 - Letter to Minister - Possible conflict of interest between Dynamic Air Shelters and the COVID-19 Supply Council

INCOMING :

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MINISTER'S RESPONSE IN WORD FORMAT:

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Thanks!

Esther Christensen

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