

Airdrie, Alberta
May 16, 2014

MY FILE: 054 - Item #4

Ms. Suzanne Legault
The Information Commissioner of Canada
Place de Ville, Tower B
112 Kent Street, 7th Floor
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 1H3

Dear Ms. Legault:

Re: NATIONAL DEFENCE FILE: A-2013-01161 - Item #4

Reference is being made to my pervious delay complaint letter dated January 21, 2014 asking for your help in expediting the response from the Department of National Defence. I needn't have worried. Yesterday, I received the department's 17-page response dated May 8, 2014 and any useful information was exempted.

I wish to complain about the sections of this response that were blanked out pursuant to sections 21 and 23 of the *Access to Information Act*. I'm also questioning whether or not the department used their "best efforts" in the search for these documents as stated in their May 8th covering letter. It appears their search for the requested records was focussed on "complaints and witness accounts" filed by the public rather than "complaints and witness accounts" filed by the more than 330 Canadian Armed Forces personnel deployed in High River between June 20, 2013 and June 27, 2013.

Members of the *Princess Patricia Canadian Light Infantry* (PPCLI) made up the bulk of the Canadian Forces personnel deployed in High River during the flood. After they returned to their home base, a number of soldiers (of various ranks) were telling their friends of the despicable acts they witnessed being committed by the RCMP while on duty in High River. It's hard to believe that some of these service men and women didn't also complain to their superiors. We also know of at least one incident where two members of the Canadian Forces, while under RCMP supervision, were seen kicking in a door to a High River home and leaving with two long-guns in their hands. We received no record of this event in the department's response. We understand that Canadian Forces personnel are duty bound to report the above types of incidents. Thanks again for all your help to uncover the truth about what actually happened in High River.

Yours sincerely,

[Original signed by]

Dennis R. Young
1330 Ravenswood Drive SE
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January 21, 2014

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Dear Ms. Legault:

Re: NATIONAL DEFENCE FILE: A-2013-01161 - Item #4

Reference is being made to my delay complaint dated January 20, 2014. While your investigators are looking into the delay complaint, there is some vital information they should be aware of that was provided to me by the National Defence ATIP officer, Tina-Lyne Lajoie.

Attached is an e-mail I received from Ms. Lajoie dated October 22, 2013 in which she states: "**However, I must let you know that I have seen records that could be related in your file A-2013-01161 which is your #4 on your list: (4) Copies of reports, documents and correspondence, communications, e-mails, text messages of complaints and witness accounts of any inappropriate or illegal action observed while working in High River.**"

I don't know if it possible for you to expedite an investigation but if it is, this is one investigation that the people of High River need quickly. As you may know, over a eight day period in June, the 230 RCMP officers kicked in the doors to more than 1,900 homes, searched these homes without even trying to get a warrant, seized hundreds of firearms and tens of thousands of rounds of ammunition. The Commissioner for Public Complaints Against the RCMP is investigating these human rights complaints but have no authority to ask the more than 300 National Defence personnel what they saw and did in High River. What these soldiers saw is critical to everyone knowing the truth about what happened and why. The Complaints Commissioner will issue his report in February or March; therefore, it is absolutely critical that we find out what these soldiers witnessed as soon as possible.

While you're at it do these extensions for this file seem reasonable? See attached summary. If you need copies of the extension letters from National Defence, please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

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National Defence Headquarters
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Our file: A-2013-01161
Your file: 054

My file #4

Received
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Mr. Dennis R. Young
1330 Ravenswood Drive, SE
Airdrie, Alberta T4A 0P8

Dear Mr. Young:

This is further to your request submitted under the *Access to Information Act* for:

Records of complaints and witness accounts of any inappropriate or illegal action observed by the military while working in High River from 20 Jun 2013 to 31 Jul 2013.

Enclosed please find all requested records that could be located using the Department's best efforts, within the constraints of the *Act*. You will note that certain information has been withheld from disclosure pursuant to sections 19, 21 and 23 of the *Act*.

Please be advised that you are entitled to file a complaint with the Office of the Information Commissioner concerning the processing of your request within sixty days of the receipt of this notice. In the event you decide to avail yourself of this right, your notice of complaint should be addressed to:

Office of the Information Commissioner
30 Victoria Street
Gatineau, Québec K1A 1H3
Tel: 1-800-267-0441
Fax: 819-994-1768

Should you require clarification or assistance regarding your request, please contact Siobhan Neilson of my staff at 613-996-0425 or by e-mail at siobhan.neilson@forces.gc.ca or use our toll free number 1-888-272-8207.

Yours truly,

Julie Jansen
Director
Access to Information and Privacy

Enclosure: CD

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MCU2013-04069.txt

From: ..
Sent: Monday, 1, July, 2013 20:58
To: +MCU@MCU@Ottawa-Hull
Subject: cdn forces involvement

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

From: Sent: 2013-07-01 20:58:17
sir ; quick note as I need to do more study into the matter; but the first of the
high river people are returning to their homes and the stories are beginning to
mount as to the actions of the forces people on the ground there!

time for the truth.

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MCU2013-04069 REPLY.txt

From: +MCU@MCU@Ottawa-Hull
Sent: Friday, 30, August, 2013 11:24
To:
Subject: RE: cdn forces involvement
From: +MCU@MCU@Ottawa-Hull Sent: 2013-08-30 11:23:58
Dear

Thank you for your email concerning the deployment of Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) personnel to the floods in Alberta.

The CAF was tasked to assist the Province of Alberta in disaster relief operations following the floods based on a request for assistance from the Minister of Public Safety. Once tasked, CAF personnel worked in support of the Province of Alberta for disaster relief and emergency response operations, part of which involved support to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

The mandate of the CAF was clear, providing mobility and protecting the safety and security of residents—which included going door-to-door in High River and locating residents who were in distress or deceased; our task was not assistance to law enforcement.

We are confident that CAF personnel operating in High River understood their mandate and provided appropriate assistance to local authorities in order to preserve the life and safety of all affected residents.

I trust this information is helpful, and I appreciate being made aware of your concerns.

Sincerely,

Hon. Rob Nicholson
Minister of National Defence

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MCU2013-03948.txt

From:
Sent: Friday, 21, June, 2013 21:20
To: +MCU@MCU@Ottawa-Hull
Subject: Intervention rapide en Alberta

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

From: Sent: 2013-06-21 21:20:27 ..

Envoyé de mon iPad

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MCU2013-03994.txt

From:
Sent: Wednesday, 26, June, 2013 04:00
To:
Cc: calgary@globalnews.ca; Calgarynews@ctv.ca; submit@calgaryherald.com;
premier@gov.ab.ca; calgary.southeast@assembly.ab.ca;
+MCU@MCU@OTTAWA-HU; letters@macleans.ca;
Subject: Questionable actions in High River Flood areas

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Attachments: Doc1.docx; Driving school pics.docx

From: Sent: 2013-06-26 03:59:43

Please see attached doc - this pic was posted on facebook. It was taken in High River and posted Saturday June 22nd.

One of many pics on different pages of facebook. Nice to know that our troops are protecting us. Was this taken in between the doors being kicked in on empty homes? The next stop for this pic will be all news agencies in this area. There are people homeless - losing their businesses, livelihoods, living in shelters. Does anyone involved with the flooding and clean up of High River even care? There are town workers who have witnessed contractors in Beechwood estates already.

can't get in to retrieve our school our vehicles. They are dry and are in an area that is accessible from the highway. We do not need to be in High River to operate. Please see second attachment We are one of many who are able to operate remotely but unable due so because of restrictions and are unable to retrieve we to operate as a business. The 3-5 min updates from the Mayor are inadequate. Our MLA is no longer allowed to attend the meetings regarding the clean up. We no longer have a elected government advocate from our community. why is this? Rick Fraser is not our elected representative. He is not from our community. There are people who know people that are allowed to enter and take what they need to continue with their livelihoods. There are others who can't get any help. where is the equipment? why is Calgary cleaning up but not us?

We are not going take much more from the officials dealing with the flood.

Just go on the internet and read.

This email is written after many conversations with members of the community. Some who have been in the town and witnessed the above mentioned info.

Looking forward to a response soon

Homeless and from High River

Regards,

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MCU2013-03994.txt

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**Pages 6 to / à 7
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**of the Access to Information Act
de la Loi sur l'accès à l'information**

Killaby Cdr PC@DJAG Reg Svcs@Ottawa-Hull

From: Beh Maj P@DJA@Cold Lake
Sent: Thursday, 27, June, 2013 23:19
To: Flavin Cdr TCP@AJAG Edmonton@Edmonton
Subject: Re:

Awesome...

Patricia A.G. Beh
Maj
DJA Cold Lake
CSN: 690-7025
BB: 780-813-1427

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Cc: Anderson Col DJ@1 CMBG HQ & Sig Sqn@Edmonton; Juneau BGen JCG@LFWA HQ@Edmonton; Angell Maj LB@LFWA HQ@Edmonton
Sent: Thu Jun 27 21:12:06 2013
Subject:

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Sent: Thu Jun 27 21:05:32 2013
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From: ++LFWA-JTFW DSO@LFWA-JTFW HQ@Edmonton
To: Gosselin LCol TP@LFWA HQ@Edmonton; Flavin Cdr TCP@AJAG Edmonton@Edmonton
Sent: Thu Jun 27 20:41:35 2013
Subject: FW: URGENT MNDO RFI: High River Gun Seizures

J.R.G. Adair

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From: Matthews Maj NP@CJOC HQ@Ottawa-Hull On Behalf Of +CFICC Cont OWO@CJOC HQ@Ottawa-Hull
Sent: Thursday, 27, June, 2013 20:32 PM
To: ++LFWA-JTFW DSO@LFWA-JTFW HQ@Edmonton
Cc: +CFICC Cont OWO@CJOC HQ@Ottawa-Hull
Subject: FW: URGENT MNDO RFI: High River Gun Seizures

LFWA Desk officer:

Request confirmation whether or not CAF personnel assisted with the removal of firearms
form High River residences.
ASAP response is requested.

Thanks

Neal Matthews, Major
Operations Watch Officer - Continental | Officier des opérations - continental Canadian
Joint Operations Command | Commandement des opérations interarmées du Canada National
Defence | Défense nationale Ottawa, Canada K1A 0K2 neal.matthews@forces.gc.ca Telephone
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From: Jones LCdr KD@CJOC HQ@Ottawa-Hull On Behalf Of +CFICC SWO@CJOC HQ@Ottawa-Hull
Sent: Thursday, 27, June, 2013 22:30 PM
To: +CFICC Cont OWO@CJOC HQ@Ottawa-Hull

Subject: FW: URGENT MNDO RFI: High River Gun Seizures

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

From: Tompkins Capt MM@DND MND@Ottawa-Hull
Sent: Thursday, 27, June, 2013 22:29 PM
To: Mialkowski Col CJJ@SJS Operations@Ottawa-Hull; Cook Maj BS@SJS Operations@Ottawa-Hull; Vandahl LCol ES@DND MND@Ottawa-Hull; +CFICC SWO@CJOC HQ@Ottawa-Hull; Thornley LCol MJ@SJS Operations@Ottawa-Hull
Cc: Boucher LCol JRL@CDS@Ottawa-Hull; Allan LCol PC@VCDS@Ottawa-Hull; Prohar Maj D@VCDS@Ottawa-Hull; Hols E@DM@Ottawa-Hull; Sindrey Maj GG@DND MND@Ottawa-Hull; Belair LCdr S@DND MND@Ottawa-Hull; Genereux MCpl SL@DND MND@Ottawa-Hull; Wong Capt BSJ@DND MND@Ottawa-Hull; Smyth Capt TA@DND MND@Ottawa-Hull
Subject: Re: URGENT MNDO RFI: High River Gun Seizures

As well sir:

The reporter, Brian Lilley is filing on this tonight. He's had gun organizations tell him the military entered homes as well.

MNDO has asked to confirm ASAP if this actually occurred.

MM Tompkins
Captain
PPCLI
Military Assistant to the MND
BB: 613-769-4174

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From: Tompkins Capt MM@DND MND@Ottawa-Hull
Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2013 10:22 PM
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Subject: Re: URGENT MNDO RFI: High River Gun Seizures

Sir,

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From: Tompkins Capt MM@DND MND@Ottawa-Hull
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Roger sir. I'll find out.

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Subject: Re: URGENT MNDO RFI: High River Gun Seizures

ALCON;

CF was not/not auth to conduct ALEA tasks.

Matt;

Before we reach down with this RFI - the subject of which would have been reported were CF pers had participated, I would ask that the context provided to MNDO be given to us for this RFI. I say this, because such an activity was well outside of the arcs provided to the CF from the CDS. Please advise to help us answer the RFI.

SWO;

Ken, as RFI manager at CJOC, please stand by. Early remit reqr.

Conrad Mialkowski
Col, SJS/J33 Current Ops

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Sent: Thu Jun 27 21:43:42 2013
Subject: URGENT MNDO RFI: High River Gun Seizures

Sir,

Re. See story below.

MNDO have been told that CAF members may have been present or participated in these searches/seizures.

MNDO is asking to confirm whether this is true or false?

MNDO has asked for confirmation NLT 0700 tomorrow morning.

Please ack.

Thanks sir.

'Hell to pay:' Residents angry as RCMP sieze guns from High River homes

'It's just like Nazi Germany,' says resident

By Trevor Howell, Calgary Herald June 27, 2013 3:40 PM

Evacuees confronted the RCMP on the northwest corner of town in a bid to enter the Town of High River on Thursday, June 27th 2013, one week after the Highwood River Flooded leaving the whole town empty. RCMP laid a spike belt down across the road to prevent them from travelling down it.

Photograph by: Lorraine Hjalte , Calgary Herald

HIGH RIVER — RCMP revealed Thursday that officers have seized a "substantial amount" of firearms from homes in the evacuated town of High River.

"We just want to make sure that all of those things are in a spot that we control, simply because of what they are," said Sgt. Brian Topham.

"People have a significant amount of money invested in firearms ... so we put them in a place that we control and that they're safe."

That news didn't sit well with a crowd of frustrated residents who had planned to breach a police checkpoint northwest of the town as an evacuation order stretched into its eighth day.

"I find that absolutely incredible that they have the right to go into a person's belongings out of their home," said resident Brenda Lackey, after learning Mounties have been taking residents' guns. "When people find out about this there's going to be untold hell to pay."

See photos from the scene.

About 30 RCMP officers set up a blockade at the checkpoint, preventing 50 residents from walking into the town. Dozens more police cars, lights on, could be seen lining streets in the town on standby.

Officers laid down a spike belt to stop anyone from attempting to drive past the blockade. That action sent the crowd of residents into a rage.

"What's next? Tear gas?" shouted one resident.

"It's just like Nazi Germany, just taking orders," shouted another.

"This is the reason the U.S. has the right to bear arms," said Charles Timpano, pointing to the group of Mounties.

Officers were ordered to fall back about an hour into the standoff in order to diffuse the situation and listen to residents' concerns.

"We don't want our town to turn into another New Orleans," said resident Jeff Langford. "The longer that the water stays in our houses the worse it's going to be. We'll either be bulldozing them or burning them down because we've got an incompetent government."

Langford blasted High River Mayor Emile Blokland over comments made Wednesday in which Blokland said residents will be allowed to return after businesses, such as hardware and drug stores, are opened.

"It was ridiculous," said Langford. "I think he's a puppet on a string."

Langford said Premier Redford should come to High River to address residents' concerns and provide information.

"This is at the highest tension," he said. "What's going to happen next is that people are just going to be walking across these fields, and I don't care if they put hundreds of thousand of police officers there, they're not going to stop from getting in."

Sgt. Topham said he didn't know when residents would be allowed to return to their homes. "People much higher up are going to make those decisions," he said.

He did confirm that officer relied on forced entry to get into numerous houses during the early stages of the flood because of an "urgent need", said Topham.

Police are no longer forcing themselves into homes and the residences that were forced open will be secured, he said.

Topham said the confiscated firearms have been inventoried and are secured at an RCMP detachment. He was not at liberty to say how many firearms had been confiscated.

"We have seized a large quantity of firearms simply because they were left by residents in their places," said Topham.

The guns will be returned to owners after residents are allowed back in town and they provide proof of ownership, Topham added.

Residents promised to returned to the checkpoint at noon every day until they are allowed to return to their homes.

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JTFW PAO,

T. Flavin
Cdr
AJAG

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To: Flavin Cdr TCP@AJAG Edmonton@Edmonton; Angell Maj LB@LFWA HQ@Edmonton
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& Sig Sqn@Edmonton; Hilton LCol DCD@1 CMBG HQ & Sig Sqn@Edmonton
> Sent: Fri Jun 28 10:11:01 2013

> Subject:

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> Approved, subj to AJAG concurrence.

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> T.P. Gosselin
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JTFW@Edmonton
> Sent: Fri Jun 28 08:31:14 2013
> Subject: Fw: Media Query - High River
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> Sir,
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> Did you discuss the point Lena is being asked to clarify media-wise with Comd 1 CMBG.
>
> Fm my view if our soldiers were in houses looking for distressed or deceased persons this still does
not cross the ALEA line.
>
> Trevor
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> T.P. Gosselin
> LCol
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LCol JT@1 CMBG HQ & Sig Sqn@Edmonton; Niven LCol WK@1 CMBG HQ & Sig Sqn@Edmonton

> Sent: Fri Jun 28 08:08:09 2013
> Subject: Media Query - High River
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> There is media query from Ottawa Sun which CJOC is working on wrt High River.
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> 2. The MRLS from yesterday (below) are being used, however I do need to clarify MRL bullet #3, which currently reads:
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> "The sp they (CAF) provided was mobility and looking into residence for distressed or deceased persons"
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> 3. It remains unclear to me if CAF actually entered into homes? I request clarification from Bde. Thank you.
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> MEDIA RESPONSE LINES
> SUBJECT: CAF operations in High River
> Media outlet: Ottawa Sun
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> #1 In High River, the Canadian Armed Forces personnel supported the RCMP neighborhood survey by providing transport in areas covered in water using Light Armoured Vehicles and Rigid Hulled Inflatable Boats
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> #2 At no time did our soldiers touch any weapons
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> #3 The sp they provided was mobility and looking into residences for distressed or deceased persons.
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> #4 The CAF was asked by the Province to provide humanitarian assistance and assist in evacuations of persons at risk. Some of the activities conducted by CAF in Southern Alberta included:
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> a. Removal of debris from culverts and bridges to ease the flow of water;
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> b. Remediation work on highways to help with the rescue and remediation efforts;
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> c. Route reconnaissance and mobility support for local officials in flooded areas to help Provincial and Municipal authorities properly assess and monitor the floods;
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> d. Sandbagging
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