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Information and Privacy Commissioner of Nunavut
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SENT VIA E-MAIL

July 21, 2023

RE: Response to Review Report 23-247-RR
GN file: 1029-20-2324FIN0229
Your file: 23-124

Dear Commissioner Steele,

This letter is in response to your Review Report 23-247-RR regarding the Department of Finance's response to a request under the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (*ATIPP Act*).

Your review was with respect to the Department of Finance's refusal to disclose an internal audit report on the basis of Section 20(1)(a) of the *ATIPP Act*, due to the possibility of prejudicing a law enforcement matter. In your review, state that the department did not correctly apply this section of the *ATIPP Act*.

Your recommendation in the Review Report is for the Department of Finance to consider the following remedy:

> ***[18] I recommend*** *that the Department of Finance release the internal audit reports, with appropriate redactions, to the Applicant on the earliest of the following three dates: (a) the date the RCMP announces it has laid charges in connection with the YWCA Agvik investigation; (b) the date the RCMP announces it will not lay charges in connection with the YWCA Agvik investigation; and (c) September 19, 2023.*

The Department of Finance accepts your recommendation and will proceed with reviewing the record for redaction and release to the Applicant by the dates prescribed above.

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We would like to express our appreciation to you and the Applicant in permitting us to submit this response letter to you past your prescribed deadline. Thank you again for accommodating our request for this minor extension.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our Director of Corporate Policy, Hillary Casey, at hcaseyfin@gov.nu.ca or 867-975-5831.

Sincerely,

Hon. Lorne Kusugak
Minister of Finance

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Hillary Casey, Director of Corporate Policy, Department of Finance
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