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Nicole Campbell, Chair  
Peggy's Cove Commission  
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Dear Nicole Campbell:

**Re: Peggy's Cove Commission**

I wanted to acknowledge the recent media attention being afforded the work of Peggy's Cove Commission, and in particular the allegations of conflict of interest directed at you as the Commission Chair.

I noted one article from last week which incorrectly suggested that the Province was investigating the Commission with respect to those allegations. I want to assure you there is no investigation by the Province. We are aware that the conflict of interest guidelines in the Commission governance document are being followed.

We have confirmed that Commission work may continue in absence of the Councillor should she choose not to attend Commission meetings. However, as per section 4(1)(a) of the *Peggy's Cove Commission Act*, the Peggy's Cove Commission will continue to include the municipal councillor for the polling district that includes Peggy's Cove until such time as the legislation is amended.

The Department recognizes there is a need to review the Act and will be proceeding with that in the coming months, working collaboratively with the Commission and the Municipality.

I would like to extend our sincere appreciation for your continuing leadership, and the effort that you and your fellow Commissioners are putting forward in relation to the creation of a new bylaw for your community.

Yours very truly,



Scott Farmer  
Deputy Minister

CC: Peggy's Cove Commission