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From: D'Eith.MLA, Bob <Bob.Deith.MLA@leg.bc.ca>
Sent: Friday, February 16, 2018 10:25 AM
To: Minister, AGRI AGRI:EX
Subject: Automatic reply: District of Mission - Request for a Meeting with the Minister

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Thanks again for writing,

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From: Ralston.MLA, Bruce <Bruce.Ralston.MLA@leg.bc.ca>
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 4:22 PM
To: Minister, FLNR FLNR:EX; Minister, AGRI AGRI:EX
Subject: RE: No Musgamagw/Namgis consent, no salmon farms

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

From: Ralston.MLA, Bruce [mailto:Bruce.Ralston.MLA@leg.bc.ca]
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 2:53 PM
To: Minister, AG AG:EX
Subject: FW: No Musgamagw/Namgis consent, no salmon farms

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

From: s.22
Sent: February 21, 2018 10:21 AM
To: Ralston.MLA, Bruce <Bruce.Ralston.MLA@leg.bc.ca>
Cc: Premier Horgan <premier@gov.bc.ca>; Minister, AGRI AGRI:EX <AGR.Minister@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: No Musgamagw/Namgis consent, no salmon farms

I am writing to ask that applications for renewal of salmon farm tenures in Musgamagw and Namgis territories be denied by the BC government. Salmon farms are no longer just an environmental issue, they are now also a human rights issue.

As you are aware, Musgamagw and Namgis First Nations have occupied salmon farm facilities in the Broughton Archipelago for over 130 days, with a clear message that salmon farms must be removed from their territories. They have been saying this for 30 years.

These nations never signed agreements with this industry, nor gave government permission for them to operate within their territorial waters, upon which they depend so much. The court injunctions to remove them from salmon farms, suggest that foreign salmon farming corporations have more rights in Musgamagw and Namgis waters than even its own people. We cannot allow foreign-run corporations to use our courts to force First Nations into submission.

While the government continues to let this situation escalate, salmon farmers continue to ignore the direction of the BC government, restocking farms on expiring tenures --despite a call from the BC Premier that they not do so. It has become painstakingly clear that salmon farmers make their own rules.

They are an industry out of control.

In recent months, we have seen peer-reviewed science reporting a Norwegian, farmed salmon virus spreading to BC's wild salmon; we have watched live online as bloody, discharge infected with this piscine reovirus flowed into our coastal waters from farmed salmon processing plants; and we have learned that the BC government's head fish veterinarian, who for years denied this virus causes disease wild salmon, is being investigated for his cozy relationship with the industry.

Meanwhile, wild salmon stocks in the region have collapsed, leaving these nations without food fish.

It is long past time for the BC government to act.

In an honest demonstration of reconciliation, I implore the BC government to immediately deny renewal of salmon farm tenures in First Nation territories where the fish farm companies have no existing agreement with the nations.

Please, act now in the best interests of reconciliation and our wild salmon.

Sincerely,

s.22

Wendland, Justine AGRI:EX

From: Atkinson, Gregory AGRI:EX
Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 3:55 PM
To: Simons.MLA, Nicholas LASS:EX
Cc: Morton, Michelle LASS:EX
Subject: RE: Meeting with Chief Paull and the Minister

Thanks Nicholas!

Greg Atkinson

Executive Assistant to Hon Lana Popham
Minister of Agriculture

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From: Simons.MLA, Nicholas [<mailto:Nicholas.Simons.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 3:54 PM
To: Atkinson, Gregory AGRI:EX
Cc: Morton, Michelle LASS:EX
Subject: Meeting with Chief Paull and the Minister

Hello Gregory,

Thanks for calling my Constituency Office.

I got advice from the Leader's office that this meeting would be dealt with in an alternative manner.

As such, I rescind the request for a meeting!

Thanks,

Nicholas