



May 30, 2012

Joel A. Oliver
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Dear Mr. Oliver,

I understand that in my absence, Ms. Sandra Guttmann raised concerns during the NLMCC regarding the June 1 deadline imposed on LAs in the aboriginal portfolio to volunteer to leave the department. I had also raised these very concerns with Mr. Kirvan during my meeting with him this past Monday, May 28.

Both Mr. Kirvan in the course of our Monday meeting and Ms. Pratt in the course of the NLMCC meeting yesterday indicated that the department would look into whether this June 1 deadline to volunteer can be revisited.

Now that we have the benefit of your recent response to the AJC's letters of inquiry and the SERLO criteria, we would like to ensure that our members have a reasonable opportunity to review the information and make an informed decision.

We intend to share the information received with our members once translated and remain hopeful that an additional delay for volunteering to leave the department will be considered.

For obvious reasons, we would appreciate a response to our request for an extension before the actual June 1 deadline.

Best regards,

Lisa Blais
President

c.c. Myles Kirvan, Deputy Minister
Joan Pratt, Director General, DOJ