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SOLE SOURCING OF GNWT OFFICE SPACE REQUIREMENTS

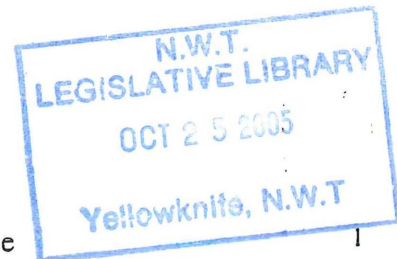
Minister Roland:

The Fort Simpson Chamber of Commerce objects in the strongest possible terms to the sole sourcing of GNWT office space requirements in Fort Simpson.

Your continued use of anti-competitive, secret procurement practices discourages private investment in our community as well as reducing the confidence of the business community in open, transparent and honest government at the regional and territorial level. Secret procurement is typically expensive procurement which leads to fewer funds available for other needed services in our region and our community.

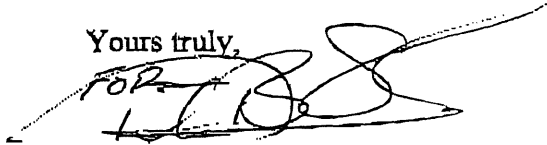
The GNWT Executive Policy- "The GNWT Leasing of Improved Real Property (11.22)" states quite categorically that:

"all leased properties will initially be acquired through invitation to tender or public proposal calls except where the Executive Council has authorized negotiations"



It is imperative that business opportunities with the territorial government are made available for all – not just for the privileged few. Your cooperation in this matter will be appreciated.

Yours truly,



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