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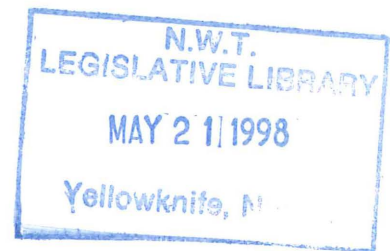
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OUR FILE NO.: 98.SP.06

ATTENTION: Mr. Don COOPER  
Deputy Minister of Justice



Dear Mr. COOPER,

RE: The Honourable Goo ARLOOKTOO  
Polygraph Examination

As a result of conversations with you and a review of the circumstances of this case, arrangements were made to administer a polygraph examination to Mr. ARLOOKTOO on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1998.

Mr. ARLOOKTOO signed a consent form stating he was taking this test voluntarily. A copy of this executed document is included with this report, the original of which is retained on our file.

The main purpose of this polygraph examination was to determine if Mr. ARLOOKTOO was telling the truth when he claimed that he was not the author of a note that was presented to Jane GROENEWEGEN in January, 1998. In addition, Mr. Levi BARNABAS subsequently admitted to being the author of this note, yet there was still some suspicion that Mr. BARNABAS may have taken the blame for Mr. ARLOOKTOO in order to avoid any personal criticisms.

During the pre-test interview, Mr. ARLOOKTOO told me that Ms. Jane GROENEWEGEN, MLA for Hay River, received a note in the House that read "Jane how did you get \$800,000 loan from this Government". As a result of this, she wrote a note to Mr. ARLOOKTOO requesting a meeting and Mr. ARLOOKTOO sent her a note, which she compared to the original note and believed that Mr. ARLOOKTOO was the author.

She submitted both notes to a handwriting expert who responded that both notes appeared to have been created by the same author.

Mr. ARLOOKTOO pointed out that when this original note was handed to Mr. GROENEWEGEN, many individuals believed it was authored by Levi BARNABAS. Mr. BARNABAS had been requesting financial aid for his constituency, however, due to cutbacks, he along with others, had been refused. Mr. BARNABAS is on a Standing Committee that

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reviews all grants and would have been in a position to see that Ms. GROENEWEGEN had received a grant of \$800,000 and was simply taking issue with her in his own style. Mr. BARNABAS is reputed as being somewhat of practical joker and as this controversy continued to develop, more and more individuals became aware, through rumour and comment, that Mr. BARNABAS was, in fact, the author.

As a result of the escalating allegations against Mr. ARLOOKTOO, Mr. BARNABAS came forward sometime in February and admitted, in the House, that he was the author of this note. He also offered his apologies to Ms. GROENEWEGEN, however, the handwriting specialists report still caused tension and left what appeared to be an unresolved situation.

Arrangements were made to forward additional handwriting samples to an alternate handwriting expert and this information also included handwriting samples from Levi BARNABAS. This report strongly suggests that the author of the original note is Levi BARNABAS and not Mr. ARLOOKTOO.

Despite these more recent findings, Mr. ARLOOKTOO insisted a polygraph examination would be extremely helpful in completely exonerating him from any suspicion as it pertains to having authored the note, and more importantly to put at rest any notions that he conspired with Levi BARNABAS so that Mr. BARNABAS would take the blame for this note and absolve Mr. ARLOOKTOO of any further criticisms.

Mr. ARLOOKTOO announced in the house that he was going to take this polygraph examination and remove any further suspicion or doubt. When he presented himself to our office, he appeared very eager to undergo polygraph testing.

As a result of this pre-test interview, a polygraph examination was administered wherein Mr. ARLOOKTOO was asked the following relevant questions:

1. Last January did you write that note in question to Jane GROENEWEGEN?

No.

2. Are you the person that wrote that note in question to Jane GROENEWEGEN?

No.

3. Did you personally write that note in question that was received by Jane GROENEWEGEN?

No.

4. Did you arrange for anyone to provide that note in question to Jane GROENEWEGEN?

No.

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5. Did you ask Levi BARNABAS to compose that note in question given to Jane GROENEWEGEN?

No.

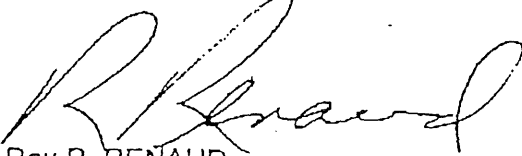
6. Did you ask Levi BARNABAS to lie about that note in question given to Jane GROENEWEGEN.

It is my opinion, based on Mr. ARLOOKTOO's polygraph examination results that he was telling the truth when he answered the above listed questions. I am prepared to make these polygraph examination results available to any competent law enforcement examiner for an independent assessment.

I trust this information is of assistance to you, I have included my curriculum vitae in support of my findings which you may distribute at your discretion.

Yours truly,

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