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Hon. Perry Trimper, Speaker House of Assembly P.O.Box 8700 St. John's, NL A1B 4J6

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Yesterday at the Hearing during questioning of Mr. Bruce Chaulk who is an Officer of the House of Assembly, he made a comment that there was no need to meet or interview all witnesses.

On October 24th, 2018 in an in-camera session with Mr. Chaulk, he stated that one person refused to be interviewed and that person was identified as myself, Eddie Joyce.

In today's paper, it states,"While Mr. Chaulk couldn't get into details, he says it's his decision whether or not to do interviews with any complainants, respondents or witnesses". He informed you that I refused to meet with him and the investigators.

I understand that this was an in-camera session but he made false, misleading and damaging statements for me to mount a defense as a respondent in the bullying and harassment allegations. However, when false statements are made in-camera or in public by an Officer of the House towards a Member of the House of Assembly, this has to be addressed and rectified.

On October 26th, 2018, I wrote you requesting information but, unfortunately, I never receive the information I needed.

You, as Speaker and Chair of the Management Commission, has the responsibility to up hold the rights off all Members of the House of Assembly. My rights have been violated and I am requesting you, as Speaker, to ask Mr. Chaulk for a written and public apology. He is an Officer of the House of Assembly and answers to the Management Commission and I expect you will fulfil your sworn duties to protect the rights of all Members of the House of Assembly.

As debate will begin today, I am requesting your immediate attention and if necessary, an emergency meeting of the Management Commission to ensure my rights as a Member of the House of Assembly are not violated.

Yours truly,

Eddie Joyce, MHA

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