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Tamer Nusseibeh Committee Clerk Standing Committee on Community Services Tamer.nusseibeh@novascotia.ca

Dear Mr. Nusseibeh:

Re: Nova Scotia Standing Committee on Community Services

Thank you for the follow up letter, dated December 14, 2022, stemming from our meeting with members of the Standing Committee on Community Services December 6th, 2022. We truly appreciated the opportunity, dialogue, questions and interest in Treaty Education Nova Scotia, Truth & Reconciliation and Mi'kmaw Language Legislation.

During the meeting, MLA Burrill inquired about the statistics of administrative confinement. In response, I have followed up with colleagues at the Department of Justice and please find below the information we received from Correctional Services:

Statistics for September 1, 2021 to September 1, 2022 are as follows:

- Total Indigenous individuals placed in administrative close confinement 18
- Percentage of total number of individuals placed in administrative close confinement that were Indigenous - 15.52%

Reason for administrative close confinement include:

- Security of the facility
- Protection
- Inmate's own request

Please share this information with the Committee.

Thank you.

Justin Huston

Chief Executive Officer