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April 21st, 1986.

BY COURIER

The Honourable Perrin Beatty
Solicitor General of Canada
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario

Dear Sir:

Re: James Stiles
Our File No. 14,427

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I am writing to you on behalf of our client, James Stiles.

On August 9th, 1984, Mr. Stiles was forced to resign as a regular member of the R.C.M.P. on the sole ground that he was a homosexual. Throughout his fifteen years with the Force, the last eleven of which were spent in the Security Service, his performance was exemplary. He is presently employed as a civilian member of the Force and continues to hold a Top Secret security clearance. Efforts to obtain his reinstatement as a regular member of the Force or to a suitable position in C.S.I.S. have failed. In October, 1985, an action was commenced in the Federal Court for, inter alia, reinstatement as a regular member, damages and a Declaration striking down the R.C.M.P.'s policy against employment of homosexuals as contrary to the Charter. I enclose a copy of the Amended Statement of Claim in that action. Actions were also commenced in the Supreme Court of Ontario against individual officers of the Force in respect of events which led to Mr. Stiles' resignation. Copies of those Statements of Claim are also enclosed.

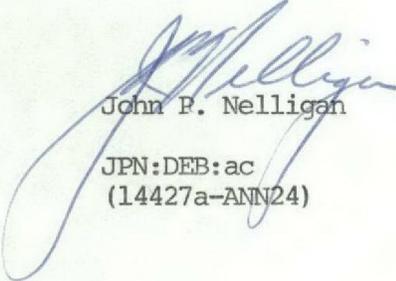
Following the government's response to the recommendations of the Parliamentary Committee on Equality dealing with sexual orientation, we were hopeful that matters could be resolved without continuation of litigation. However, counsel for the Crown has now advised us that the R.C.M.P. is now considering issuing a written policy preventing employment of homosexuals and that the Force may be prepared to seek a Court decision on the constitutionality of such a policy.

By letter dated March 21st, 1986, a copy of which is enclosed, I wrote to the counsel for the Crown asking for a meeting with you and the Minister of Justice. I am now advised that internal delays have prevented that request from reaching you. I am, therefore, writing this letter directly to you to ask for a meeting with you and your colleague, the Minister of Justice, to allow representations to be made on Mr. Stiles' behalf. Such representations would be made with a view to promoting a settlement that would see our client reinstated in a suitable position as a

regular member of the Force. Our client has been most careful to ensure that his case has not attracted widespread publicity. If this matter is to proceed in the Courts, however, it will be impossible to avoid the attendant publicity that all concerned would undoubtedly prefer to avoid.

I am also conveying this request to the Minister of Justice by separate letter.

Yours truly,



John P. Nelligan

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