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City of Toronto Compliance Audit Committee City Hall, 12th Floor West, 100 Queen Street West, Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N2

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing in reply to your letter dated July 06, 2021 regarding my campaign expenses. By employing the same numbering as in your letter, I reply as follows:

- (1) There is no designated office for my campaign. The address "4002 Sheppard Avenue East, Suite 438, Scarborough, Ontario M1S 1S6" was just the mailing address of my liaison office. Amid COVID-19, in compliance with the federal and provincial laws, nearly all the meetings with the supporters and volunteers were done virtually. For the safety of everybody, there were rarely any personal meetings held for the campaign work. All the work instructions and communications were given online so as to keep the personal contacts at a minimum. As meetings at the liaison office were mostly not required, no expenses were needed to be incurred in these circumstances.
- (2) The telephone number (416) 609 8828 is my office telephone line which was installed for my own office operations and was never used for my campaign work whereas the telephone number (416) 299 9771, which was registered under my spouse's office, "Suzhou Jiulong Cable Company Canada", was used by her company for its business operations. Both telephone lines were existing telephone lines and were in use for more than ten years. Thus, the two telephone lines were not set up for my campaign activities, but were existing telephone lines installed for business operations. In fact, during the

campaign period, most of telephone communications were done through the smart phones instead of the office landlines. As a result, no telephone expenses were incurred in these circumstances.

- (3) The cost of the campaign website <u>www.votetonyluk.ca</u> has been included the website design costs charged by The Legends Media Inc. in the sum of which has been disclosed in my campaign expenses.
- All of my printing costs for the flyers and signs have already been fully disclosed to the (4)auditor's office. Their total costs are \$ 30,865.95 being the aggregate of all those All those invoices represent all of my expenses being incurred for the invoices. production of the signs and flyers. There were no concealed expenses whatsoever. All those invoices were settled through respective cheques paid to the supplier. As such, the best way to understand all those printing costs is to examine all those invoices and their associated payments. A sum of \$5,000.00 was paid as deposit and the remaining balance wase paid by several cheques thereafter. Regarding the mailing costs paid to Canada Post, it was questioned that there were only two payments, and one is missing. There is no concealment of the mailing costs as there were indeed only two mailing costs. because some of the flyers were hand delivered, not via Canada Post postal deliveries. As such, only two mailing costs were paid because there was no third mailing expenses. In fact, it is not uncommon that flyers were being delivered by hands rather by post. Should you still have questions regarding the mailing costs, please feel free to contact "Toronto Printing Co. Ltd." which will answer all of your enquiries on the mailing costs and will confirm that there are only two and only two costs.
- (5) No fax number is being printed on the invoice because no fax number was being used the company in the past few years. It is not uncommon that in this digital age, in particular amid COVID-19, business documents were delivered via e-mail or other social media devices rather than via the old way of facsimile transmission. As far as I know, there are no more fax lines in some provincial departments. Thus, this is a picky question. I believe

that why there is no fax number on the invoice is best answered by Toronto Printing Co. Ltd. Regarding the alleged alteration of the invoice number 36567, it is a false accusation. The original invoice from Toronto Printing Co. Ltd. Has no such wordings. However, after my payment to the company, the company issued me the Invoice No. 36567 with the wordings "*Deposit \$5000.00 12 December 2020 Paid. *Balace (sic) \$2993.62 31 Dec 2020 Paid HST (ON) on sales". These words were added to the original invoice just for showing that full payment to the invoice has been made. That explains why an "asterisk" sign was being added beside those wordings showing that they were something additional. There is no alteration of the invoice amount by the addition of those words. The invoice amount is remaining the same despite those additional words. Those words can be treated as "explanatory notes" of the invoice which was imprinted on the invoice after full payment has been made.. Those words have the same effect as a "Paid " stamp on the invoice upon receipt of the invoice payment. In fact, my expenses will not be altered by adding those words. Should you still have questions in this regard, please clarify them directly with "Toronto Printing Co. Ltd."..

- (6) Some campaign expenses were paid by cash. Cash was withdrawn from the campaign account thrice to a total sum of \$800.00. The said total cash amount was used to pay the cash expenses in the total sum of \$799.00. Those cash expenses were fully and unreservedly disclosed to the auditor in compliance with the relevant City Campaign Finance Rules even though those cash payments can be easily undetected. For your information, those expenses were incurred mainly for the meals and drinks of the volunteers during the campaign period..
- (7) This a picky question. The invoice was issued by "BA MUSKOKA Consulting" does not necessarily meaning that the registered business name of the company is "BA MUSKOKA Consulting". The word "Consulting" is added just to explain the nature of the business, and might not necessarily form part of the business name of the company. The HST number was registered under the registered business name of "BA MUSKOKA". This is not uncommon for this way of business name registration. Just

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like in the real estate business, the name on the invoice is "Home Life Realty, Brokerage". However, the HST Number is registered under the name" Home Life Realty", without the word :"Brokerage". The word "Brokerage" added after the registered business name is just for elucidation of the nature of the business, and not otherwise. The payment of \$15,000.00 was made by e-transfer to <u>ajl@bamuskoka.com</u> as per payment instruction of the supplier. Nowadays, e-transfer to settle bill is very common as its is safer and instantaneous. This is particularly true amid COVID-19. In all, I did not conceal my expenses. For further clarifications, you can contact "BA MUSKOKA Consulting.

(8) This is an invalid questions as all the bank statements of the campaign account with Scotiabank has been provided to the auditor's office. The submitted bank statements have clearly and fully stated all the contributions and expenses in relation to this campaign event. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

If you have any further question, please send us the email at <u>assistant@cisni.com</u>

Best Regards,

Tony Luk