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Commissioner Michael Duheme
Royal Canadian Mounted Police
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Dear Commissioner Duheme,

I am writing to you on behalf of many Islanders who have expressed deep concern regarding serious allegations of foreign interference and money laundering in Prince Edward Island. These allegations primarily center around the activities of certain Buddhist groups and their affiliates operating in the province and build on years of public speculation and uncertainty.

Statements made on October 8, 2025, during a press conference on Parliament Hill in Ottawa by a former Solicitor General of Canada and a former RCMP Superintendent have renewed attention to these long-standing issues. It was suggested that information exists that could provide grounds for a criminal investigation. These statements have caused understandable concerns among Islanders. We therefore urge the Federal RCMP to review any evidence available, engage with the individuals who have made these claims, and conduct an investigation into any wrongdoing.

Equally troubling are suggestions, made by the same individuals, that Prince Edward Island has been used as “a forward operating base for the Chinese Communist Party”. These are serious allegations. Claims of clandestine foreign interference must be examined by the relevant federal government departments and agencies, including the RCMP, to determine if there is any factual basis. Islanders expect that such matters be handled responsibly, through established legal processes rather than through speculation.

We note that the Island Regulatory and Appeals Commission is currently conducting an investigation into land holdings associated with some of the same entities referenced in the public allegations. While this review falls within provincial jurisdiction and will be reported to the Minister responsible for Land, any findings suggesting potential criminal or national security implications will be referred to the appropriate federal authorities.

We ask the RCMP to give this matter prompt attention. Allegations of this nature—whether found to be substantiated or not—have the potential to erode public trust and confidence in our democratic institutions. We recognize that some investigative processes may not be made public. Despite that, Islanders deserve confidence that legitimate concerns are reviewed through proper channels.

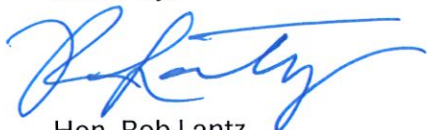
Islanders are proud of our province’s reputation for openness, fairness, and a deep sense of community. But that pride is now being tested by a cloud of uncertainty. We ask that this issue be handled with the same transparency, professionalism, and care that Islanders expect from their public institutions. The longer these questions remain unanswered, the more they erode public confidence. We cannot afford to let speculation and fear take root. A thorough and impartial investigation—conducted by the RCMP—is the only way to restore clarity and trust.

We urge you to treat this matter with the seriousness it deserves. Engage with those who have made the allegations and examine the evidence. Coordinate with both provincial and federal authorities

and regulatory bodies. And most importantly, share the truth with Islanders. Whether the outcome confirms wrongdoing or clears the air, transparency is essential.

This is what Islanders want. It is what our government expects. And it is what is needed so that Islanders know the truth about what is happening in their province.

Sincerely,



Hon. Rob Lantz
Premier of Prince Edward Island



Hon. Cory Deagle
Minister of Housing, Lands & Communities

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Hon. Sean Fraser, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada
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Hon. Heath MacDonald, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food in Canada
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