



September 11, 2015

Ms. Dianne Young, CEO  
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Dear Dianne:

It has been reported to me by staff in attendance at the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place meeting held on Friday September 4, 2015, that two matters of concern were raised in that meeting. Zlatko Starkovski of Muzik Club while making a presentation to the Board with respect to Item 20 of the agenda reported that on two occasions during the 2014 CNE incidents took place which he implied were perpetrated by CNE patrons. Mr. Starkovski advised the members present that, during the 2014 CNE, a fire broke out in his club and that a number of club refrigerators were also broken into during the course of the 2014 CNE.

As a matter of due diligence, I have asked our security staff to review all reports from the 2014 CNE to see if any security reports in our records refer to either of these incidents. Although we do have notes that indicate a small fire took place at one of the outdoor cabanas at Muzik, we have no reports of the thefts that Mr. Starkovski referred to. I asked that the minutes of our daily morning meetings be reviewed as Exhibition Place Security, Toronto Police Service and Toronto Fire Service all have representatives at these meetings. Although the fire was mentioned, we found no evidence of the thefts occurring or being reported. In addition, there was no mention that CNE patrons were suspected as being responsible for the fire or thefts. I don't know if the Exhibition Place Security Department has other records concerning these incidents, if they do, it would be helpful if you could confirm the dates and times the incidents were reported and any other information that would suggest these acts were committed by CNE patrons. Upon receipt of confirmation, I will ensure that these incidents are considered when developing security plans for the 2016 CNE.

One further note at the same meeting, the Chair of the Board of Governors Councillor Mark Grimes, made reference to a shooting that occurred at the CNE but did not provide specifics with respect to the date of the occurrence. Again, we have searched our records and found no evidence of a shooting at any CNE in recent history. In fact, since the start of my tenure at the CNE in 1983, I do not recall ever hearing of a shooting occurring at the event. However, if you could provide me with confirmation of a shooting incident along with details and a date this incident occurred that would again be helpful in reviewing the incident and future planning.

Thank you for your attention to the above, I will await your confirmation with respect to these matters.

Regards,

Virginia Ludy  
General Manager