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Dear Sgt. Boileau

Re: Follow up to our telephone conversation of May 22, 2003

I would first of all like to thank you for contacting me on the phone last week, although in the future I would request that all communication be in writing.

As you have indicated during our conversation, you haven't had a response from the Crown yet, not even an e-mail, which is why you said that you did not call me and why police have done nothing to date. As I understand from you, the Crown has reviewed the video tapes of the children where it was disclosed they were assaulted as well as them witnessing an assault on myself by their mother. You indicated that when the Crown realized that I had sent written correspondence to Inspector Dupuis and yourself and that they wanted to review these letters before going any further. Once they have gone through all the evidence, you have re-confirmed that you would let me know as soon as you get information from them.

We also had a little chat about why your police force did not take any action yet. It has been almost 6 weeks since I first made my detailed written complaint and supplied your office with sufficient evidence of assaults against the children as well as myself. Your response was that you had to wait for the crown because the assaults that I was the victim of that I referred to were done in the same circumstances and same locations as what my ex used to get charges laid against me except that I was the victim and not the aggressor. You confirmed that this information was very clear. You then told me that when the crown will be done reviewing all the evidence, they would contact you and you would act on their recommendations, and that you would let me know. You also made a comment that you would not let yourself get dictated on how you are conducting this investigation. And that was the end of our conversation.

One thing I would like to point out is that the child, Ali, who was assaulted by her mother has nothing to do with the assaults on myself, so why is it the police have not followed up on the assault of this 11-year-old girl by her mother. Ali, also testified in court against her mother and your department should have obtained copies of transcripts as part of your investigation. Has your department obtained copies of the court transcripts yet or is it waiting for permission of the Crown to also investigate an assault against this young girl?

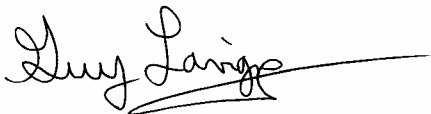
In light of the information I provided to police which clearly shows that the police, not the Crown, are supposed to lay charges, I find it an affront to the principals of justice that after such a long period of time, the police still not have taken action to hold a child abuser accountable for her actions. It seems that the police do not want to charge this mother for the assaults she committed against both her children and myself. It reeks of gender discrimination that when unfounded allegations are made against a man, the police act immediately without discussion with the Crown, yet when solid evidence is brought forth to show that a mother has assaulted her children and spouse, the police don't seem to want to do anything about it. It seems to be a double standard and this is simply not acceptable in Canada!

Pleased be advised that should the O.P.P. not take action to uphold the law and lay charges with the next seven (7) days I am going to forward my complaint and materials to both the federal and provincial justice ministers with copies to every Member of Parliament and every Member of Provincial Parliament as well as the press. In my opinion, the failure of police to uphold the law in this matter smacks of gender discrimination and the outright refusal of police to uphold the law as they are required to do in this country. This is utterly disgraceful.

As I am building a case for a possible lawsuit and want to maintain a paper trail, I would request that you not telephone my home again but to either proceed ahead to uphold the law and lay charges, or to provide reasons in writing why the O.P.P. continues to delayed enforcement of the law as the force is required to do. I am demanding justice for my children. Either I want to see some action by police or I want some answers in writing. A lot of my neighbours in the community are also watching to see when police are going to do something.

At this time, I would also request that you provide me with the name of the Crown Attorney who is supposedly handling this case.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Guy Lavigne". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the name.

Guy Lavigne

cc: Insp. Dupuis