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Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board Act and Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act



Before a panel of the Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board

BETWEEN

NATIONAL POLICE FEDERATION

Complainant

and

TREASURY BOARD (Royal Canadian Mounted Police)

Respondent

Indexed as National Police Federation v. Treasury Board (Royal Canadian Mounted Police)

In the matter of a complaint made under section 190 of the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act*

Before: Patricia H. Harewood, a panel of the Federal Public Sector Labour

Relations and Employment Board

For the Complainant: Adrienne Fanjoy, counsel

For the Respondent: Stephanie White, counsel

REASONS FOR DECISION

I. Overview

- [1] This decision is with respect to a complaint filed by the National Police Federation ("the complainant"), on May 10, 2021. The complaint alleged that Treasury Board ("the respondent") violated section 107 of the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act* (S.C. 2003, c. 22, s. 2; "*FPSLRA*") by introducing a new policy regarding evaluation procedures for Police Dog Service Handlers of the "L" division of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police ("RCMP").
- [2] On July 12, 2019, the complainant was certified as the bargaining agent for all employees who are RCMP members (excluding officers and civilian members) and reservists.
- [3] On July 15, 2019, the complainant served the respondent with notice to bargain, pursuant to a s. 105(1) of the *FPSLRA*, thereby triggering the statutory freeze set out in s. 107 of the *FPSLRA*.
- [4] The respondent issued a decision on December 10, 2020, which made certain changes to evaluation procedures for Police Dog Service Handlers (the "Decision Document").
- [5] The Decision Document was introduced during the statutory freeze period and without the consent of the complainant.
- [6] The parties have now resolved the complaint and have jointly requested that the Board issue an order.
- [7] For all of the above reasons, the Board makes the following order:

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II. Order

- [8] The complaint is allowed, in part.
- [9] The Board declares that the respondent committed an unfair labour practice contrary to section 107 of the *Federal Public Sector Labour Relations Act* by introducing a Decision Document on December 10, 2020, during the statutory freeze period.
- [10] All other claims raised, and remedies requested in the complaint are dismissed.

 October 24, 2024.

Patricia H. Harewood, a panel of the Federal Public Sector Labour Relations and Employment Board