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Re: NCI Matters

To: Ches Crosbie, Cc: Ted Kuntz, Dale Andersson

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Thanks Ted and Ches for your emails. Congratulations Ted on your appointment as Interim Chair, and I hope that your tenure will have a lot less challenges than did mine.

First off, please be assured of my continuing support of NCI so that an orderly and smooth transition can take place as soon as possible.

Secondly, I believe that maintaining my positions as Member of CEC/NCI, Treasurer and Director is essential to ensuring the most orderly, quickest and smoothest of transitions, so in this regard, I respectfully decline to resign any further positions, as I firmly believe all are essential to this end. You may assure the entire SG that I will continue, as I always have, to perform all my responsibilities with integrity and honesty.

Thirdly, to get the transition underway as quickly as possible, and as Chair, Ted, would you kindly provide me with your personal credit card information so that we can have Teresa, Garrett, Josiah and Dale replace my personal credit card information on our many payment files with yours? A "spare" Visa or MasterCard with a limit of at least \$10,000 would likely be sufficient, and of course it should go without saying that I will pay you for NCI expenses as quickly as I have paid myself (well, your/my credit card technically; I always pay off the statement electronically on or before the payment due date so no interest or other needless charges are incurred). On its own, NCI has zero trading accounts, and 100% of our usual expenses are paid by credit card. I believe that ALL of our ordinary operating expenses are currently charged to my credit card. This was by necessity more than design, as when we first started, someone needed to be the financial fiduciary for the organization, and that fell to me as the Treasurer (and Director). I will be of course more than happy to help transition all these things, including, for example, the Infomaniak base for our website and email systems (the price of that Swiss security is very personally demanding upon the main fiduciary for the organization). There are many tentacles in all of these systems, and I can assure you that a disorderly transition is not in anyone's best interests, and at the top of that list is the organization itself. Owing to my credit card billing cycle, please provide your credit card information to me no later than a week from today, that is, Friday Dec 22nd (and earlier would be even better).

Fourthly, and this also is essential to a proper legal transition to a new structure for NCI/CEC by the time our initial Annual General Meeting is required to be held on or about Feb 22, 2024, would you please make it an urgent priority for the SG to confirm the appointment of Andrej Litvinjenko and TAAG Law as NCI's corporate lawyers to guide the needed restructuring? I believe that Andrej and I are the only two in the entire organization who have intimate knowledge of our organization's setup, and currently identified gaps that need urgent attention. This was on our last SG agenda but we didn't get that far.

I think this is all that comes to mind initially, and I look forward to working with you, Andrej and all the rest of the team to make the transition as smooth and seamless as possible. Most sincerely,

Dave

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