
RE: Urgent PMO fund

1 message

Fred DeLorey <FredDeLorey@conservative.ca>
To: Greg Weston <greg.weston@cbc.ca>

Tue, Jun 4, 2013 at 6:33 PM

Hi Greg,

The Prime Minister at times incurs expenses that are best paid by the party.

For number six, no funds were used for that.

From: Greg Weston [mailto:greg.weston@cbc.ca]
Sent: June-04-13 6:18 PM
To: Fred DeLorey
Subject: Urgent PMO fund

Fred: PMO tells me you would be best to answer this note....

I am doing a story about the special discretionary CPC fund controlled by the pm's chief of staff. I have been told the kinds of things it was used for up to Nigel Wright's time – partisan polling, expenses for the PM and/or officials to attend certain party functions, etc. I have also been told approximately how much was allocated annually to the fund up to Wright's taking over. My questions are as follows (with replies on background if you wish):

1. Why was/is this special fund necessary?
2. What was it used for during Wright's tenure?
3. Approximately how much money was allocated to it each year?
4. Are there any limitations on how these funds can be spent (or is entirely the COS's discretion?)
5. How are these funds accounted for?
6. Is there any reason those funds could not have been used in the Duffy-Wright deal?

Thanks/greg

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2 messages

MacDougall, Andrew <Andrew.MacDougall@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>
To: greg.weston@cbc.ca

Tue, Jun 4, 2013 at 6:08 PM

Hi Greg,

I'll have to refer you to the Party.

I can give you a clear "no" on #6. The funds used were Mr. Wright's personal funds.

Best,

Andrew

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From: Greg Weston [mailto:greg.weston@cbc.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, June 04, 2013 05:54 PM Eastern Standard Time
To: MacDougall, Andrew
Subject: Urgent PMO fund

Andrew:

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5. How are these funds accounted for?
6. Were any of these funds used in any way connected to the Duffy-Wright deal?

Thanks/greg

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