

**From:** [Joe Smyth](#)  
**To:** ["Steve Burke"](#)  
**Cc:** [Jason Sheppard](#); [Joe Gullage](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Checking in  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 29, 2015 3:43:45 AM  
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Cpl Burke,

I would sincerely appreciate an update on your investigation. There have been times where the RCMP have referred to me as "another victim" in this case and investigation; if that is the situation, then I would like to think I should be privy some semblance of an update, or perhaps explanation as to what "other investigative steps" refers to, given we are now four months out from the incident.

I of course know explicitly well what happened, so to hear at this point that there are other investigative steps being undertaken that are beyond lab results does indeed give me some cause to lie awake at 330 in the morning running through the incident time and time again wondering what it is that somebody else would perceive, or believe, to cause them to still be undertaking investigative steps of which I am not aware.

Of course, if my status is not what I believe it to be, then I naturally know you cannot update me in any way. If this is the case, then you will not hear from me again before disclosure.

Thanks again for your time.

Joe

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network.

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**From:** Joe Smyth  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2015 2:11 PM  
**To:** 'Steve Burke'  
**Subject:** RE: Checking in

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Thanks, should I assume it is moot to ask what "other investigative steps" is referring to? Forgive my queries, this is new territory for me, and I honestly do not know what my status is. I know what I would be telling the subject of an investigation, but I don't know if that is what I am classified as.

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**From:** Steve Burke [mailto:Steve [REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2015 12:57 PM  
**To:** Joe Smyth  
**Subject:** RE: Checking in

Hey Joe;

I appreciate your desire to have this matter resolved. Until the lab analysis is completed along with other

investigative steps, it would be inappropriate for me to discuss an on-going investigation or make any sort of tentative conclusions.

I hope you understand and rest assured that this investigation remains priority.

Steve



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>>> Joe Smyth <[joesmyth](mailto:joesmyth) [Redacted]> 2015/07/28 11:23 AM >>>

Thanks Steve; In light of the fact that the lab analysis will evidently continue to be delayed as long as higher-priority investigations are submitted, is there any reason your findings to date cannot be discussed with the Chief of Police? I continue to exist in a state of professional limbo, and it would be very much appreciated to have some sense of a definitive conclusion.

Thanks

Joey

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**From:** Steve Burke [<mailto:Steve> [Redacted]]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 28, 2015 10:42 AM  
**To:** Joe Smyth  
**Subject:** Re: Checking in

The lab dd has been extended until Sept 15th.  
Steve



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>>> Joe Smyth <[joesmyth](mailto:joesmyth) [Redacted]> 2015/07/28 10:13 AM >>>

Hey Steve, wondering if you've heard any update from the lab. Still looking at mid august?  
Thanks

J

Cst Joe Smyth, [Redacted]