

Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
EC-52898465	EC Connex	9/29/2019 1:49:12 PM

ECConnex Case

Subject

Possible legal offences committed by Maxime Bernier

Topic

Political Financing

Description

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I would like to make a complaint regarding possible legal offences committed by Maxime Bernier, a candidate in this election and leader of the federally registered People's Party of Canada, and by Tyrone McAllister, a volunteer with a local electoral district association of the People's Party of Canada.

On September 29, 2019 a planned rally and fundraiser for the PPC (and/or one or more undisclosed local candidates and/or EDAs) had been scheduled for Hamilton, Ontario. This was to feature the services and entertainment of Mr. Dave Rubin, a U.S. citizen and broadcaster who is well-known as a political agitator.

The local PPC organizers announced on September 26 that the event would need to be cancelled because its host, Mohawk College, had evaluated the necessary security costs and informed them of a substantial increase. (This is likely due to the large number of far-right elements within the PPC, such [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Mr. Rubin, who is wealthy and not a Canadian citizen nor resident in Canada (he resides in California), offered to cover these expenses himself from his own pocket following entreaties by Maxime Bernier and Tyrone McAllister. Their responses to Mr. Rubin's offer to make this large cash donation to the PPC are included here.

I also believe the donation of Mr. Rubin's services (he is a very well-known broadcaster with many tens or even hundreds of thousands of listeners) to this fundraiser event also constitutes a donation in kind to the PPC, local candidates, or the riding association.

I believe the donation of Mr. Rubin's services well below their fair market value (I believe his speaking fees are above five figures in US dollars) to be an illegal donation and I believe his donation of funds to cover security costs for his event to be an illegal donation. I believe that Mr. Bernier and Mr. McAllister are fully aware that Mr. Rubin is a non-citizen and non-resident of Canada, and that they nevertheless wished to have him donate to the PPC, and therefore acted in furtherance of this illegal fundraising activity.

Attachments

- 1.  EC-52898465.txt txt 2.65 KB

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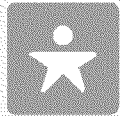
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Modified by

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Modified on

2019-09-28 14:09



Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
EC-29142860	EC Connex	9/29/2019 1:49:18 PM

ECConnex Case

Subject

Political Event

Topic

Foreign Contributions

Description

Description

I'd like you to investigate an event happening at Mohawk College involving Maxime Bernier, it appears that they might be getting funded by a foreigner to make the event happen. I've attached pictures of an interaction on twitter.

Attachments

- 1.  EC-29142860.txt txt 2.56 KB

Identification

First name

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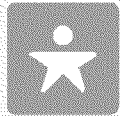
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Modified on

2019-09-27 20:01



Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
EC-91794668	EC Connex	10/1/2019 6:34:22 PM

ECConnex Case

Subject

fees for a campaign event in Hamilton

Topic

Foreign Interference

Description

Description

Would like to bring this to Elections Canada's attention. A US citizen (Dave Rubin) is offering to pay the fees for a campaign event in Hamilton for the leader of the PPC, Maxime Bernier. This seems like it would be a violation of campaign finance law and Elections Canada may want to take a look at this event.

<https://twitter.com/RubinReport/status/1177056801105371136?s=20>

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1.	 EC-91794668.txt	txt	2.78 KB
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Created on

2019-09-26 11:40

Modified by

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2019-10-01 18:20



Intake

Reference Number

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Complaint Web Form

10/2/2019 2:24:48 AM

Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?

To ask a question

Description

Use this section to share details with us.

I assume that there are rules about foreign influence in our elections. Maxine Bernier, head of the PPC had a rally in Hamilton where the American Dave Reuben came to speak. Reuben is a paid speaker, typically, but he also paid for extra security at the event. Is this not a foreign influence? Is he allowed to pay for that on Bernier's campaign's behalf?

I found this information in a National Post article. This is the link to it.

[https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/election-2019/protesters-scream-nazi-scum-as-they-bar-way-of-elderly-](https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/election-2019/protesters-scream-nazi-scum-as-they-bar-way-of-elderly-woman?utm_term=Autofeed&utm_medium=Social&utm_source=Facebook&fbclid=IwAR1T2AHYw6)

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Identification


Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[Redacted]

First Name

[Redacted]

Last Name


Email address 
Home Phone 
Cell Phone 
City 
Province/Territory 
Postal Code 



Tyrone McAllister

@TyMcAllister3

IT Support Specialist,
All around nerd guy,



@peoplespca

📍 Hamilton, Ontario 📅 Joined September 2017

581 Following **561** Followers

Not followed by anyone you're following



Dave Rubin ✓
@RubinReport



I have just offered to cover the 10x security fee myself.
cc: @BarrettWilson6 @GadSaad @MaximeBernier

11:06 PM · Sep 25, 2019 · Twitter for iPhone

400 Retweets 2.9K Likes



Tyrone McAllister @TyMcAllister3 · 9h



Replying to @RubinReport @BarrettWilson6 and 2 others

Dave I am one of the organizers, you sir are a scholar and a saint. You have no idea the pushback and resistance we have had from the over bearing socialist movement in this city trying to stifle our democracy and expression at every path. Thank you for coming here sir!



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2 more replies

Dave Rubin  @RubinReport · 10h

Hi @ebalgord, can you point out my far right cred? Or how I've led anyone to the neo-Nazi movement? I lost family in the Holocaust and grew up around survivors you sniveling, pathetic, weasel of a human...

Dave Rubin is a far-right YouTube personality and a significant part of a radicalization process ushering people into the neo-Nazi movement, according to a recently published study out of Cornell University which analyzed 79 million comments and over 330,000 videos to track the effect.

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 4K



Dave Rubin  @RubinReport · 10h

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Roberto Quinlan

@r_quinla

Replying to @TyMcAllister3 @RubinReport and 3 others

You should acquaint yourself with Elections Canada website as you will not be able to accept a single penny from Rubin et al - political contributions from foreigners are illegal in Canada. And probably they already knew that ... their pledges are not gonna cost them a penny.

12:48 AM · Sep 26, 2019 · Twitter for Android

3 Likes



Dave Rubin  @RubinReport · 53m

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11:11 PM · Sep 25, 2019 · Twitter for Android

11 Retweets · 47 Likes



🔄 Dave Rubin Retweeted



Maxime Bernier  @MaximeBernier · 11m 

Thank you Dave, for your generosity and support in the battle for free speech in Canada.

I look forward to our chat on Sunday!

Tickets are still available here: peoplespartyofcanada.ca/uncensored_eve...

Dave Rubin  @RubinReport · 46m

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From: Johanne Mennie
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: Plainte auprès du bureau du commissaire aux élections fédérales
Date: Tuesday, October 01, 2019 9:00:55 PM

Bonjour [REDACTED]

Our Chief Agent forwarded your email message below to my attention. I respond in English as I have added two members of my team who are unilingual English.

I respond to your questions below:

- 1) The Electoral District Association (EDA) of Hamilton Centre is the contractual authority for this event. The EDA paid the venue and security deposit for the event and awaits the final invoice from Mohawk College to finalize payment of such.
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- 5) The PPC charged a fee to attend the event. \$75 for tickets closer to the stage area and \$50 for general admission elsewhere in the theatre.

Please advise if you require copies of all said documents.

Regards,

Johanne

Johanne Mennie

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From [REDACTED]
Date: Mon, Sep 30, 2019 at 4:20 PM
Subject: TR: Plainte auprès du bureau du commissaire aux élections fédérales
To: Johanne Mennie <johanne@peoplespartyofcanada.ca>

De : [REDACTED]
Envoyé : lundi 30 septembre 2019 11:18
À : [REDACTED]
Objet : Plainte auprès du bureau du commissaire aux élections fédérales

Bonjour [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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Enquêteur sous contrat
Bureau du commissaire aux élections fédérales

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Investigator under contract
Office of the Commissioner of Canada Elections

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From: [REDACTED]
To: "Johanne Mennie"
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Plainte auprès du bureau du commissaire aux élections fédérales
Date: Wednesday, October 02, 2019 11:27:15 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hello Johanne

Thank you for your response. I suggest that you and the EDA contact Political Financing and Support at Elections Canada to ensure that the financing of this event is reported properly – see attached link, I refer you to: “The party leader's tour expenses are election expenses of the party...” As the monitoring of expenses is within the purview of Elections Canada I encourage you to contact them.

https://www.elections.ca/content.aspx?section=pol&dir=can/man/EC20155_c76&document=p14&lang=e#14b1

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Bcc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Complaint to the Office of the Commissioner of Canada Elections - Mr. Rubin paying election related expenses
Date: Wednesday, October 02, 2019 12:12:42 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hello

My name is [REDACTED] and I am an investigator with the Office of the Commissioner of Canada Elections. The Commissioner is responsible for ensuring compliance with, and enforcement of, the *Canada Elections Act* (the Act).

I am writing to inform you that we have completed a comprehensive review of your complaint that alleged that Mr. Ken Rubin, a US citizen, made a contribution to the People's Party of Canada (PPC) and the party leader, Mr. Maxime Bernier. Our review, which included a review of both the information contained in your complaint as well as information obtained from other sources, has led us to conclude that no offence has been committed under the Act. Mr. Rubin did not provide a non-monetary or monetary contribution to the PPC or Mr. Bernier, nor did he pay for any expenses related to the event that took place in Hamilton on the weekend of September 28-29, 2019.

As there is no further action to be taken by our Office with respect to the issue you have identified, we will be closing our file.

We thank you for your interest in the electoral process.

[REDACTED]



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COMMISSIONER OF CANADA ELECTIONS

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File Referral Record

File Number:	2019-0820	Referred By:	Mylène Gigou
Date:	2019-10-07	Referred To:	Yves Côté
Time:	10:48:53 AM		

Necessary Action:

Commissioner,

For approval, recommendation to close this master file and related sub-files status 1 no offence, which i support. Tom has already advised complainants of the results of the review.

Mylène

OK

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Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-0820	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2019-11-01		
Time:	08:59 AM		

Note:

Approval to close this paperless file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (Ok, Merci Y. 8/10/19) on a File Referral Record dated 2019-10-07.

STEPS:

1. Response sent by email to Complainant on 2019-10-02.
2. PDF copy of the Response scanned and placed in the Correspondence folder on the shared drive and paper file.
3. File closed = Status 1.