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Dear Mr. Lareau,

Your letter of May 19, 2009, addressed to Brian Saunders, Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), has been forwarded to me for reply. In your letter, you ask Mr. Saunders for information and his opinion on whether an offence has been committed under subsection 126 (1) of the *Criminal Code*, in light of your assertion that the *Kyoto Protocol Implementation Act* has not been followed.

I regret to inform you that the DPP is not able to assist you in this matter. Among the duties and functions of the DPP is the duty to advise law enforcement agencies or investigative bodies in respect of prosecutions generally or in respect of a particular investigation that may lead to a prosecution. It is not the duty or role of the DPP to provide legal advice to private individuals.

In terms of paragraph 3(3)(e) of the *Director of Public Prosecutions Act*, since no prosecution has been initiated there is no basis to provide any information to the public regarding the matter raised in your letter.

The most useful suggestion that I can offer is for you to seek the advice of a lawyer in private practice to determine the most appropriate course of action that will best serve your needs.

Yours truly,

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