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Dear Dr. Lewis:

I acknowledge receipt of your correspondence of March 19, 2010. As you are well aware, negotiations between Government and the NLMA have not been cancelled. In fact you have perpetuated this fallacy put in the public domain yesterday by Mr. Ritter despite a call from the Minister of Health to you last night indicating exactly the opposite was true.

A specific negotiation meeting, and only that meeting, was cancelled today because of the volatility of the situation and because of the threat of the resignation of Clinical Chiefs.

This Government does not respond favourably to threats or misleading information.

Sincerely,

DANNY WILLIAMS, Q.C.
Premier