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Dear Mr. Nicholson,

I am writing this letter to you in hopes that you will begin to support the ordinary folks like me who live and work in Niagara. I know of your governments support for efforts that target being "tough on crime" but how about ensuring that we as law abiding residents and citizens have a job let alone do penance.

I am a skilled trade's person. I am one of those people the government openly states we don't have enough of and therefore allow foreigners into the country to bolster our numbers. I'm also a professional who worked building new ships and made a solid living and community contribution doing it. There is now no new ship building construction in our area and we have government policies to thank. We also have your government to thank for another means of loosing work to foreign ship builders namely the agreement with the European Free Trade Association. Not only did the government encourage jobs to leave Niagara, it finished this task by encouraging jobs to leave BC and the Maritimes now too.

It is downright immoral that your government creates agreements and policies that support the building of ships in foreign countries that do not have adequate labour, safety or environmental laws such as we have in Canada. This approach is akin to a type of indentured foreign- workers death for the benefit of those that have here in Canada. For all your efforts to get tough on crime, how about getting focused on creating environments that encourage jobs for folks for law abiding citizens in your area. Please walk the real moral high ground and help get us jobs. Please nurture that moral fiber that I believe you have or at least talk about

Please contact me and tell me what you're doing to firstly warrant my confidence in you, help bring jobs to my area and support new ship construction. Please reconcile my image of you that sees you as a family man of morals and conviction with that of the actions I see of you being "tough on crime" and a tough task master providing no support for the creation of jobs.

I sincerely look forward to hearing from you and rekindling a yearning confidence in the government's ability to good for its people.

Sincerely yours