

**From:** [Derek Dalton](#)  
**To:** [Les Moran](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Seasons greetings  
**Date:** Monday, 12 December 2016 5:21:00 PM

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Hi Les,

Typos abound in my last email

unflattering to the police!

Unflattering (That's what happens when one writes emails with a headache!)

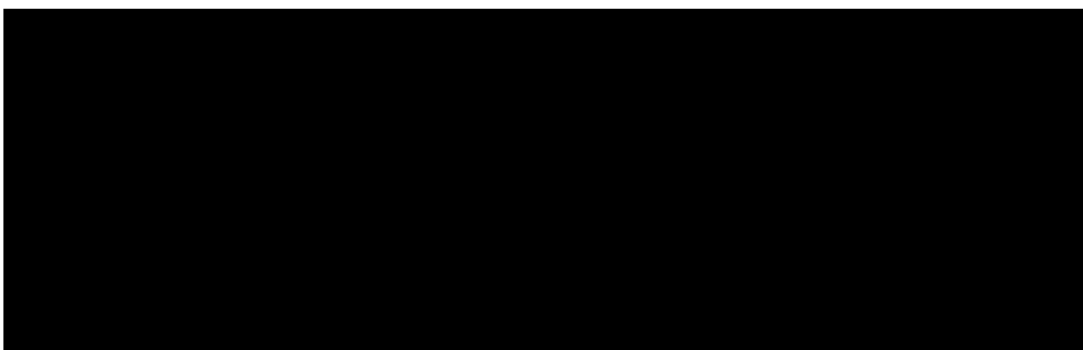
Time for "home" me thinks!

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**From:** Derek Dalton  
**Sent:** Monday, 12 December 2016 4:55 PM  
**To:** 'Les Moran' <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** RE: Seasons greetings

Hi Les,



**The next stuff is TOP SECRET given the conditions of my supply agreement.**

**Cone of silence**



I got the *Strikeforce Parrabell* tender to review the NSW police work on the 88 Hate-related homicide cases that the community have been agitating about for many years. It is a profoundly challenging brief. Bloody difficult for all sorts of reasons. I have Willem de Lint and Danielle Tyson on my team, but it's still a testing and hard slog. I wish I had some of your hate crime knowledge and wisdom between my ears. Perhaps I should have roped you in when I was devising the tender? Too late now!

Stephen Tomsen (who – along with Sue Thompson - deserves credit for the impetus for *Parrabell* given their activist work over the last two decades) has been bemoaning (to anyone who will listen I gather) that he was overlooked and that the NSW police went “Expert Shopping” (his phrase via social media). That’s a bit rich given that he apparently applied (and did not secure the tender). So to the extent that *they* went shopping, he placed his *merchandise* in full view! (if you follow my logic Les). So I rather feel no “good deed will remain unpunished” and that he is sharpening his red pencil and awaiting our report. I hope he can at least be fair.

It’s kind of a poison chalice (like so many gigs we get in Academia). Lots of media articles somewhat unfairly criticising the detectives. The piece attached is a bit of a hatchet job (that I cannot defend the police from to you in this email for due to the provisions of my contract).

<http://www.sbs.com.au/news/thefeed/article/2016/08/31/police-admit-blunders-gay-hate-murder-hunt>

The senior officer running the entire review is 100% serious about trying to reveal the ‘truth’ about this era and recalibrate the books (as it were) and I am impressed with his transparency. He has a “bring it on” (even if “it” is ugly and unfaltering to the police) attitude.

Anyway, the process continues. Hard reading (such violent material) and the weight of the dead weighing on all our minds.

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Fondly

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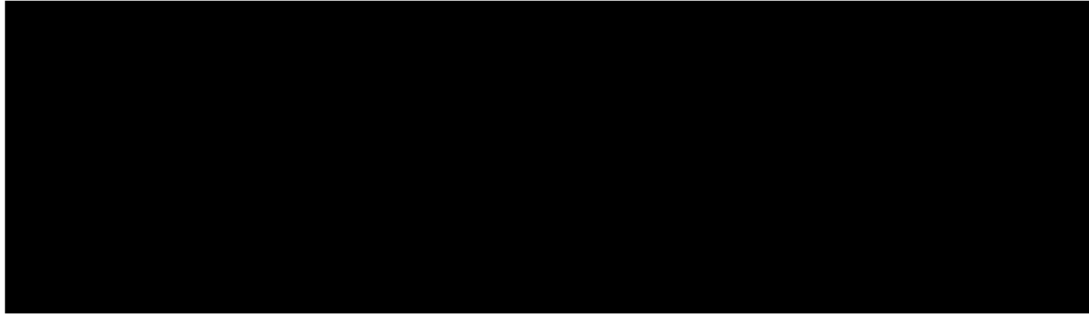
**From:** Les Moran 

**Sent:** Friday, 9 December 2016 4:40 AM

**To:** Derek Dalton <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** Seasons greetings

Hi Derek



Best

Les