

To: Robert G. Kroeker [REDACTED]; Chuck Keeling [REDACTED]
From: Sonja Mandic [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed 8/26/2015 11:14:20 PM (UTC)
Subject: RE: Story showing how vigilant Great Canadian Gaming is at preventing money laundering

Will send shortly.

Thank you,

Sonja

From: Robert G. Kroeker
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2015 4:11 PM
To: Chuck Keeling; Sonja Mandic
Subject: RE: Story showing how vigilant Great Canadian Gaming is at preventing money laundering

Thank you both.

From: Chuck Keeling
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2015 3:59 PM
To: Robert G. Kroeker; Sonja Mandic
Subject: RE: Story showing how vigilant Great Canadian Gaming is at preventing money laundering

Sonja- here is what I suggest you go back with...

Thanks for the quick response Glen, but to repeat, the point in us writing you is to stress that the only agencies that can definitively states whether money laundering occurs in a BC casino, like River Rock, is FinTRAC and/or the RCMP.

Thanks again for the interest in covering the issue.

I suggest we keep it short and simply, underscoring our key point, and not get dragged into other nuances like suggestions of anonymity.

Let me know what you think Rob.

Chuck

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From: Robert G. Kroeker
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2015 1:46 PM
To: Sonja Mandic; Chuck Keeling
Subject: RE: Story showing how vigilant Great Canadian Gaming is at preventing money laundering

Saying if you want to try to launder money and be anonymous is in no way equivalent to “there is no money laundering”.

From: Sonja Mandic
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2015 10:42 AM
To: Chuck Keeling; Robert G. Kroeker
Subject: FW: Story showing how vigilant Great Canadian Gaming is at preventing money laundering

FYI.....please see below.

Thoughts?

Sonja

From: Glen Korstrom [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2015 10:41 AM
To: Sonja Mandic
Subject: Re: Story showing how vigilant Great Canadian Gaming is at preventing money laundering

Hi Sonja.

He told me “if you wanted to launder your money and be anonymous, that simply isnt going to happen for you.”

Here’s the story:

<https://www.biv.com/article/2015/8/money-laundering-accusations-are-raw-deal-casinos-/>

You note the third paragraph.

What would you prefer I say? “**Anonymous** Money laundering, however, does not happen at GCG’s facilities, according to GCG vice-president of corporate security and compliance Robert Kroeker.”

I’m not going to add a lot of explanation in the paragraph though. He either believes that money laundering does not happen, that it does happen or he has no idea if it is happening or not.

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On 15-08-26 10:26 AM, "Sonja Mandic" <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Good Morning Glen,

First and foremost, I would like to thank you for taking the time to tour our River Rock Casino facility, more specifically for taking the time to learn about casino related anti-money laundering (AML) procedures. Your willingness to share our side of the story is greatly appreciated.

I also wanted to bring to your attention, a claim that has been made in the story regarding the fact that money laundering does not happen at Great Canadian facilities – “*Money laundering, however, does not happen at GCG’s facilities, according to GCG vice-president of corporate security and compliance Robert Kroeker.*”

After speaking with Rob Kroeker directly, it has been brought to my attention that he did not make that particular claim. When you asked him if money laundering occurs at the facility, he responded by explaining that our role in the AML process is to watch for any irregular behaviours that may be signs of money laundering and report transactions to FINTRAC, and in some cases, the RCMP directly. He noted that only the police and FinTRAC were in a position to definitively say whether any particular transaction in fact involved money laundering. He did offer that we had not observed any transactions that clearly involved money laundering and if we had we would refuse any such transaction.

With that said, I welcome the opportunity to discuss this further if needed and confirm if a correction will be made to the story as to reflect Rob's comment.

Thank you,

Sonja Mandic
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Great Canadian Gaming Corporation
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