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## Canada let him stay, now he's charged with murder

**BY KIM BOLAN**

A week before Babak Najafi Chaghahzadeh allegedly kidnaped and killed Vancouver resident Ramak Wajad, the Immigration and Refugee Board gave him one last chance to stay in Canada despite a series of convictions.

Chaghahzadeh convinced IRB member Renee Miller last Feb. 16 that he was turning his life around even though he had been ordered out of Canada in 2004 because of serious criminality.

On Feb. 21, Wajad disappeared. The remains of the 31-year-old were found near Chilliwack last 8.

The week Chaghahzadeh, 27, of North Vancouver, said Charles Anthony Leslie, 31, of Surrey, was charged with Wajad's first-degree murder, abduction and false imprisonment.

## Heed improperly discussed investigation when he was police chief, e-mail suggests



B.C.'s top cop refuses to comment on talk he had about West Van child-porn probe

**BY RICHARD J. DALTON JR.**

B.C.'s top cop, Kash Heed, refused to answer questions Wednesday about a newly released e-mail that suggests he discussed a child-porn investigation with a police board member who worked at the same company as the suspect.

The West Vancouver Police Department released the e-mail to the North Shore News. It reveals that when Heed was West Vancouver's police chief, he discussed the investigation with Nancy Farra, a police board member, worked at RBC Dominion Securities, where the alleged child pornography worked.

The Feb. 11 e-mail reveals that Farra and Heed met for coffee while the investigation was active.

In fact, they met the same morning as a police raid on the home of Jack Crane, who was later charged with possessing 400 images of child pornography.

The message sent from Farra to West Vancouver police spokesman Jeff Palm. In it, Farra said she had met with the police chief for coffee and discussed a colleague who "is a bit of trouble."

Farra, a police board member, worked at RBC Dominion

**Lawyers on the front lines**  
Cynthia Morel is one of several Canadian lawyers who are leading the international fight for human rights.

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## Hosting the world, or your relatives, isn't just fun and games

**CRAG MCINNIS**

RV parks during the Games would affect the surrounding neighborhood.

According to a CBC report, Larry Bungle told the board: "This isn't a NIMBY movement. It's just that I don't think you can park down 360 dwellings, because that's what they are even if they have wheels, and up to 1,200, perhaps even 1,600 residents, on this narrow strip of beach land that lies adjacent to a residential area without creating some kind of impact."

Bungle is right, of course. Letting overnight park their RVs along the beach will affect local residents, at the very least by increasing traffic. But here's a news flash for any of you still

imagining yourself carrying on unaffected by the Games in January and February. No matter what you think of the Olympics, you can expect disruption of Olympic proportions.

You will be displaced, disrupted, delayed and otherwise inconvenienced in some way or other by the city's efforts to put on a happy face for what everyone here will be the biggest and best international event every staged here.

They hope you will also be delighted. But either way, it will be an experience that can't be missed.

That shouldn't really come as any surprise. Being a host city is a career obligation, whether it is for a 1968 Olympics Thanksgiving dinner or your Aunt May and Uncle Albert for a

stage. But one of the fiercest Olympic challenges for all Vancouver residents will be learning a new way, with lanes and road closures and revised transit routes. Some of the details of the challenges to getting around here previously been reported.

But a 90-page submission to council this week recommended by law firm Rogers for The Games reveals dozens of additional details about the way life in the city will be affected.

Some include meeting the definition of night and day to allow longer hours for restaurants and for 24-hour deliveries downtown and in the West End.

Others impose new responsibilities on out-of-town property

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