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The Honourable Robert Décary Communications Security Establishment Commissioner 90 Sparks Street, Suite 730 P.O. Box 1984, Station B Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5B4

Dear Commissioner Décary:

I am writing to respond to your 18 March 2013 letter reporting the results of your annual review of the Communications Security Establishment Canada's (CSEC) disclosures of Canadian identity information to Government of Canada clients for 2011-2012.

I am pleased to note that your review found that CSEC's disclosure activities were conducted in accordance with the law and in a manner that includes measures to protect the privacy of Canadians, and that the requests reviewed were authorized, justified and well-documented.

Thank you for advising me of the results of this review.

Sincerely.

The Honourable Peter MacKay, P.C., M.P.

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cc: John Forster, Chief, Communications Security Establishment Canada