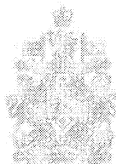


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The Honourable Jean-Pierre Plouffe
Communications Security Establishment Commissioner
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Dear Commissioner Plouffe:

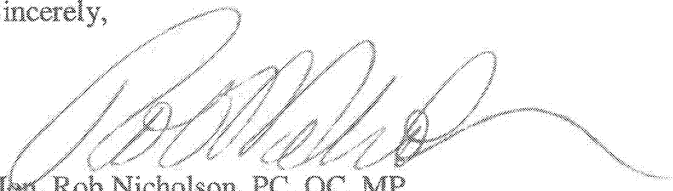
I am writing to respond to your letter dated 31 March 2014 containing the results of your review of the Communications Security Establishment's (CSE) Privacy Incident File and Minor Procedural Errors Report for Calendar year 2013.

I am pleased to note that your review did not reveal any systemic deficiencies at CSE or concerns regarding lawfulness that would warrant further review and you were satisfied that CSE took appropriate corrective actions in response to privacy incidents recorded in 2013.

I have been advised by the Chief, that CSE accepted the report's recommendation. Measures are underway to enhance the current process to reflect the change.

For your convenience, I have attached CSE's management response to the report's recommendations. I trust you will find the response satisfactory.

Sincerely,



Hon. Rob Nicholson, PC, QC, MP

Canada

February 3, 2015

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ANNEX A:**Proposed CSE Action in Response to Recommendations in the
Commissioner's "Review of CSEC's Privacy Incident File (PIF) and Minor
Procedural Errors Report (MPER) for calendar year 2013"****Review Recommendations**

Recommendation no. 1: "CSE request second party partners to confirm de-targeting of Canadians, and indicate in the PIF whether the Second Party has confirmed that it stopped targeting that Canadian."

CSE Management Response to Recommendation no. 1:**Accepted:**

CSE will request confirmation that Second Party partners have de-targeted the Canadian and will indicate in the PIF whether the confirmation has been received.

Proposed Process

Second Parties will be sent a message that re-iterates Canada's expectations of partner agencies and reinforces current privacy practices and agreements. The message will also recognize that CSE is cognizant that each sovereign nation has the authority to pursue their respective national interests.

CSE will further request confirmation that the de-targeting has taken place and will log the Second Party's confirmation, or lack thereof, in the Privacy Incidents File. Additionally, CSE will ensure that the Canadian individual is not targeted on any Canadian collection [REDACTED]