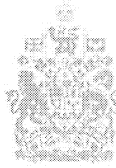


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Dear Commissioner Décary:

I am writing to respond to your 23 March 2012 letter which provided an update on the status of your review of Communications Security Establishment Canada's (CSEC) SIGINT information sharing activities with its second party partners.

I am pleased to note that thus far, you have found that CSEC takes measures to protect the privacy of Canadians in what it shares with second parties. I look forward to receiving your completed review later this fiscal year.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Peter MacKay, P.C., M.P.
Minister of National Defence