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Ms. Travers:

I write in response to your email to Heather Bradley regarding the propriety of a mailing you received from Robert Sopuck, M.P. The House of Commons has recently received a number of inquiries of this nature, and the issue has been referred to the Board of Internal Economy for consideration.

The Board, as the governing body of the House of Commons, makes decisions and provides direction relating to expenditures and resources provided to Members in order to carry out their parliamentary functions, including communications and mailings. Under the *Parliament of Canada Act*, the Board has the exclusive authority to determine whether expenditures are proper and in accordance with the By-laws, policies and guidelines that have been established.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Sincerely,

Andrew Scheer, M.P.