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Dear TODO: YOUR MP:

It has been revealed that the National Security Agency (NSA), an intelligence agency of the United States Department of Defense, has been collecting telephone call data on millions of innocent Verizon customers [1], and has ordered large Internet companies including Google, Facebook, and Apple to give the NSA access to their computer systems for the purpose of spying on their users [2].

The actions of the NSA are in clear violation of the Fourth Amendment to the United States Constitution, which reads as follows.

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

The Canadian Government must take every precaution to ensure that such an abuse of power is never carried out by the Canadian Government or an affiliated intelligence agency. Governmental transparency must be maintained.

The NSA's spying does not only affect Americans, but Canadians, too. The order forcing Verizon to provide the NSA with telephone call data [3] includes calls "between the United States and abroad." If Canada is to continue to be a leader in human rights issues, the Canadian Government must put pressure on the United States to remedy these blatant abuses of power.

[1] <http://bit.ly/191pQJY>
[2] <http://bit.ly/1baaUGj>
[3] <http://bit.ly/18QRuXx>

Sincerely,

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