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Hi Bob -- This is a great document and I think it's connected into the call for feedback well. In reading through, I thought one point was swallowed, namely a bit about how excellent the LRP and MTR process really are. We are a fairly rare breed in that we have a discipline wide plan every 10 years and lay out our priorities. In terms of interacting with policy makers, we have our vision established and are well suited to advise on policy. You pull some great material from the LRP/MTR documents, but I think the introduction of those documents on Q1 and other mentions needs a sentence or two like

"Every five years, the Canadian astronomical research community surveys its research activities and charts its future direction through the Long Range Planning Process. This process guides our field and surrounding science policy by identifying our most inspiring directions and highest priorities."

I think we need to indicate that we're ready to come to the table with our ducks in a row whenever government wants to hear from us.

best wishes,
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