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**BRIEFING FOR MINISTER JOLY
FOREIGN ELECTION INTERFERENCE
APPEARANCE BEFORE HOUSE OF COMMONS STANDING COMMITTEE ON
PROCEDURE AND HOUSE AFFAIRS (PROC) – TUES, DEC 13, 2022 12:00-1:00PM**

- 1) Introduction (Heidi Hulan)
- 2) Overview of Committee (Colleen Calvert)
- 3) Issues of Focus (Tara Denham & Weldon Epp)
- 4) Question & Answer

PARTICIPANTS

- 1) Heidi Hulan, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Security
- 2) DCD/Colleen Calvert, Corporate Secretary
- 3) Tara Denham, Director General, Office of Human Rights and Freedoms and Inclusion
- 4) Weldon Epp, Director General, North East Asia

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ANNOTATED AGENDA**Opening Remarks, USS**

- TBD

PROC (dynamics?), DCD/Calvert

- TBD

G7 RAPID RESPONSE MECHANISM, IFM/Hulan and IOD/Denham

- TBD

CHINA, OPD/Epp

- Broader frame worth surfacing with PROC members is what parliament itself assessed, in its NSICOP report on foreign interference: China is the largest source of such activity in Canada at this time.
- Which is why Canada's evolving approach to China, recently publically conveyed in IPS, identifies FI as priority for further work in domestic basket.
- Apart from supporting Min. Mendicino's mandate on this file, GAC officials at all levels (DM, ADM, Amb., DG etc) repeatedly raised concerns re. foreign interference, most recently in the context of conveying warnings and repercussions related to police stations.
- Further actions are being considered but will need to be sequenced with PS-led efforts, including public engagement.