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Not sure if you've seen that Sam Cooper is asking new questions today about foreign interference, focused on the "police stations"

Here's what I said to my office in response: Let's talk to Minister Mendicino's office asap, so they can also respond and/or work with CSIS to give a robust response. It's not going to cut it for CSIS alone to give responses on this issue going forward - we're going to need a robust political responses as well. We can also take this opportunity to provide a better answer on the elxn interference questions. Cooper will surely repeat those claims in his story.

I'll also share with you what Katie wrote me this morning on her way to Cambodia: I continue to feel strongly that I don't think we have a strong enough statement out on china and foreign interference. maybe it's a written statement or maybe it's a human who needs to say how our govt introduced a nonpartisan mechanism to evaluate interference. It did work, it was evaluated. It did work again. It publicly reported. Add to that nscipcop etc. I

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Also: good morning!　9:29 am

I wholeheartedly agree and am relieved to hear you say it. I think it's appropriate that we take a more robust position publicly on this. However i would add I really need your help on pushing ahead with policy and investments which has been hard for a variety of reasons that I would be happy to discuss. Are you around this aft for a chat ? Thank you. M
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I around until about 5.　9:35 am

Will call @1pm　9:36 am

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We are aware of incidents in which foreign actors have attempted to monitor, intimidate, or threaten Canadians and those living in Canada, including recent reports of so-called "police" stations. We will continue prot... **Read More**

Jeremy and I personally worked on it 😊
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Got it 11:11 am ⌄

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