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## Engagement with OCCE

- The SITE TF was established in 2018 with a mandate focused narrowly on examining the Foreign Interference in Elections. The membership of SITE is GAC, RCMP, CSIS, CSE as well as participation from PCO. While CSE was historically the Chair for the SITE TF, this has recently moved over to CSIS.
- Engagement with OCCE has generally been the provision of briefings by CSIS to OCCE, the provision of analytic products which OCCE can read in CSIS HQ, and discussions within a One Vision (OV) framework. The following relates to specific engagement with OCCE:
  - On 2018 10 01, OCCE attended CSIS HQ for a reading session.
  - On 2018 06 22, IAB provided OCCE with a classified briefing session regarding threats to Canadian democratic institutions and processes with particular attention on China [REDACTED]
  - CSIS and OCCE signed an MOU on 2019 09 26 for the exchange of information for the purposes of the Canada Elections Act, the Referendum Act, and the CSIS Act.
  - *The Service spoke with OCCE during the 2019 Federal Election regarding allegations of irregularities during the vote in Don Valley North*  
[REDACTED]
- The Service met with OCCE on 2021 11 02 to introduce Service operational desks and discuss lessons learned. A review of the SITE TF was provided CSIS provided an overview of FI and a briefing of generally what was seen during the 2019 and 2021 elections.
- The Service met with OCCE on 2021 01 19 to provide the OCCE with a briefing on threats in the lead up to a Federal election. This briefing was not specific to PRC FI.
- On 2021 02 25, CSIS met with OCCE to provide an unclassified briefing on threats to democratic institutions and FI activities in Canada.

- On 2022 11 16, the SITE TF (comprised of CSE, CSIS, GAC, RCMP, with input from PCO DI & S&I) briefed the new OCCE Commissioner (Caroline Simard) and her team on the SITE mandate and shared key observations from the 2021 GE44.
- OCCE attended CSIS HQ on Friday December 6, 2022 in order to review the products that they previously read in advance of and during the 2019 election. IAB noted that OCCE had previously read [redacted] products during OVs or reading sessions during this time frame; however, Elections Canada had been provided with over [redacted] reports during the same time frame. As such, during this reading session, OCCE reviewed all [redacted] products previously issued to Elections Canada in advance of and during the 2019 election.
- OCCE attended CSIS HQ on 2023 01 10 for a One Vision regarding the following products [redacted] and CNSB 22/19. No use letter was requested. OCCE also requested that CSIS review IA 2019-20/80 and provide additional details if available.
- OCCE attended CSIS HQ on 2023 02 01 for a One Vision to discuss the additional details in IA 2019-20/80 and determine if a use letter is required. OCCE requested a use letter on this information. [redacted]  
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- The use letter was approved and provided to OCCE [redacted]