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# Security and Intelligence Threats to Elections Task Force (SITE)

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## Overview

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## Background and Context

- US 2016 General Election
- Elections in other western democracies
- The new: the role of social media as vector
- The Canadian context
- How to respond ...

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# SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE THREATS TO ELECTIONS (SITE) TASK FORCE

- Comprised of CSE, CSIS, RCMP, and GAC
- Mission: improve situational awareness of foreign threats to Canada’s electoral processes and help Government assess and respond to threats

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## Coordination



CSE



GAC



CSIS



RCMP

A focal point in the security and intelligence community for Government partners

- Create awareness of activities, share relevant information
- Engage with domestic and international partners
- Where mandates allow, respond against threats
- RCMP: both intel and enforcement at the table



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## SITE Outputs

Regular updates on...

- recent *strategic developments*
- specific *threats* the community has observed, and
- *responses* and pre-emptive action the government has taken

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## Current Landscape



### *Threats*

- Human Influenced activities
- Cyber influenced activities
- Social media influenced activities

### *Coverage*

- Collection and monitoring of adversaries activities
- Defence and protection



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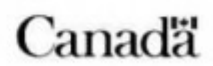
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## Role of Law Enforcement

- Foreign interference is a criminal offence
- Communication with Divisions via Crops
  - An elections 'tool kit'
- Communication with POJ's (CIROC, etc.)
- NS Governance, Commissioner of Elections



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