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GAC Response Timelines and Activities – Summer/Autumn 2023*MP Chong*

Timeline: RRM Canada first observed this activity during the monitoring for the SITE Task Force during the June 2023 by-elections. A draft report was shared with SITE Task Force members during the week of June 19th for validation. During the week of June 26th, the report was then discussed by ADMs (June 27th) and DMs (June 29th, July 6th at DMCIR). Received green light to move forward from PCO on July 20th.

Responses:

August 9

- Statement and Public Report
- Briefing for MP
- Démarche PRC Ambassador
- Translate Public Report for Sinophone community

September 8

- Engagement with Tencent (parent company of WeChat)

Spamouflage

Timeline: RRM Canada first received a tip about the Spamouflage network in early September. A draft report was shared with SITE colleagues on September 7th, 2023 and with IFM on September 8th. The Spamouflage item struggled to get on the agenda at DMCIR. DMA sponsored an ad-hoc DMCIR meeting to take place Friday, October 6th. Continued to work with PCO for approvals for October 23rd, when it was expected that the *Toronto Star* would publish on the topic.

Responses:

Before October 23

- Diplomacy (October 11: DMA raised activity with PRC officials at a high level)
- Engagement with social media platforms (October 13: Meta, Google; October 16: Reddit; October 17: X/Twitter)

October 23

- Statement and Public Report
- Circular notice sent to all MPs and email sent to affected MPs
- Démarche PRC Ambassador
- Translate Public Report for Sinophone community
- Briefing for affected individual.