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2023 Federal By-Elections

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Threat Updates

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- (U) RRM Canada did not observe any significant indicators of foreign state-sponsored information manipulation in its monitoring of the broader Canadian digital information ecosystem from June 09 to 11.
- (U) RRM Canada assesses the vast majority of content originated from recognizable Canadian news sites, and found no instances of foreign state-sponsored news outlets commenting on the by-election.
- (U) There was some coverage on the June 19 by-elections over the weekend in both English and French:
 - Local online media outlets in Manitoba, Quebec, and Ontario provided updates on candidate races and published notices on advance poll openings. These articles received low levels of online user interest.
 - RRM Canada found no indication that a foreign entity attempted to artificially increase or decrease user engagement in stories about the by-election.
- (U) RRM Canada did not detect any Chinese-language news articles or social media chatter on China-based platforms about the June 19 by-election over the weekend.

Operational Responses and Updates

(U) No significant updates at this time.

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