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- 1. A listing and description of all major instances of suspected foreign interference targeting Canada's democratic processes, including summary, dates, target, country involved, key players, information flow and any responses taken.**

Public Safety Canada's (PS) primary function is to provide strategic and policy advice and guidance to the Minister of Public Safety that is reflective of the portfolio agencies' mandates and missions, including on work related to foreign interference (FI). PS is not involved in the operational work required to identify major instances of suspected foreign interference in Canada, rather it relies on the portfolio agencies' – Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS) and Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) – expertise and mandates in this domain.

- 2. A listing and description of all existing means at the disposal of each government department and agency to detect, deter and counter any foreign interference activities, including any relevant changes to or evolution in these means.**

Prior to the 2019 federal general election, the government enacted the 'Plan to Protect Canada's Democracy', which established a series of new mechanisms to build resilience against online disinformation and FI during elections. This included the Cabinet Directive on the Critical Elections Incident Public Protocol, which created the Panel of Five, of which the Deputy Minister of Public Safety is a member.

PS has been engaged in significant policy work on FI, in collaboration with CSIS, Global Affairs Canada (GAC), Justice Canada (JUS), the RCMP and other federal partners. This work has culminated in a variety of initiatives, including the tabling and adoption of Bill C-70, *An Act Respecting Countering Foreign Interference*, and the creation of the National Counter-Foreign Interference Coordinator's (NCFIC) Office within PS in spring 2023.

The NCFIC was created to convene and coordinate the government of Canada's approach to FI, including work to enhance transparency in the government's response through public engagement with all Canadians, including diaspora groups, academia, non-governmental organizations as well as other domestic and international partners.

PS/NCFIC works with provincial and territorial jurisdictions to increase collaborative efforts to address the threat of FI in Canada. In particular, efforts are underway to enhance situational threat awareness across provincial and territorial legislatures and political parties.

PS also plays a key role in Canada's cyber attribution framework, which is led by GAC. This framework is used when the Government of Canada is considering publicly or privately attributing malicious cyber activity to a state actor, which can include actions to covertly influence Canadians. PS supports GAC's strategic assessment through analysis of domestic

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implications to determine if attribution would bring excessive risk to Canadian critical infrastructure, intelligence operations, law enforcement investigations, or other Canadian interests. Public attribution of cyber incidents holds malicious actors accountable and is part of our larger approach to deterring future incidents and promoting responsible state behaviour in cyberspace. These attributions are often made in coordination with like-minded international partners, and the Minister of Public Safety is regularly a co-releaser.

PS also has an important role in protecting Canada's economic security in partnership with other departments, including Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED). Canada's open market is a cornerstone of its prosperity, but this same openness creates vulnerabilities that are targeted and exploited by foreign entities. Given that targets can include physical goods, registered intellectual property, or access to specialized expertise or data, this work supports a strengthened legislative, policy and regulatory framework to prevent foreign actors from acquiring or controlling Canadian-based sensitive goods or technologies, critical infrastructure, or sensitive personal data where it would be injurious to Canada's national security, economic competitiveness, and our international reputation as a trusted partner. PS focus is on protecting against the leakage of sensitive technology through tools such as foreign investment review and research security measures. PS initiatives related to critical infrastructure and cyber security also tie into reducing and preventing larger foreign interference and national security concerns.

**3. A listing and description of all policy proposals, legislative plans and resource requests related to foreign interference, including but not limited to memos to the Deputy Minister (or equivalent) or Assistant Deputy Minister (or equivalent). At a minimum, this should include the date of the request, date of decision (where applicable), a summary of the proposed changes and the outcome of the request.**

As mentioned in response to question 2, PS has been engaged in policy work related to FI since 2018. PS has prepared various types of material in the course of its policy work and advice. Some of this policy work and advice is subject to Cabinet Confidence, particularly in relation to Bill C-70, *An Act Respecting Countering Foreign Interference*, and other initiatives. In addition, please refer to the Classified Annex for additional work in this area.

The unclassified policy work undertaken by PS includes the following:

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Title	Date	Final Recipient	Outcome (if known/applicable)
<b>Title:</b> Policy Paper- Federal Governance to Address Hostile Activities by State Actors	November 2020	Deputy Ministers National Security (DMNS)	PS drafted a policy paper to discuss potential options to update national security governance to account for the threat of FI.
<b>Title:</b> Way Forward: Hostile Activities by State Actors	April 12, 2021	Senior Assistant Deputy Minister (SADM), National and Cyber Security Branch (NCSB), PS	PS drafted a note for SADM, NCSB to discuss a proposed way forward on hostile activities by state actors. This informed the development of a one-pager for DMNS discussion in October 2021.
<b>Title:</b> Hostile Activities by State Actors	May 2021	DMNS	PS produced a deck for DMNS discussion to determine the way forward for policy work in this space. PS committed to return to DMNS with a proposal for next steps.
<b>Title:</b> One Pager- HASA-DMNS	October 2021	DMNS	PS drafted a note for a DMNS discussion to determine the way forward on FI policy work.
<b>Title:</b> National Security Police Directorate Consultation Launch	July 5, 2022	Associate Deputy Minister, PS	This briefing material was used to advance legislative consultations.
<b>Title:</b> Key Messages for ADM NS Pol	September 26, 2022	SADM, NCSB, PS	PS produced material to support SADM, NCSB for an ADM NS Policy (ADM NS Pol) meeting.
<b>Title:</b> Meeting with the NSIA on Foreign Interference	December 12, 2022	DM, PS	PS produced material to support the PS DM for a meeting with the National Security and Intelligence Advisor (NSIA) and the Director of CSIS.
<b>Title:</b> Foreign Influence Transparency Registry Public and Stakeholder Consultations	February 17, 2023	Minister of PS	Consultations launched on March 10, 2023.

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<b>Title:</b> Foreign Influence Transparency Registry Public and Stakeholders Consultations	February 21, 2023	Minister of PS	Approved by Minister of PS on March 7, 2023. Consultations launched on March 10, 2023.
<b>Title:</b> Key Messages for ADM NS Pol	March 6, 2023	SADM, NCSB PS	PS produced material to support SADM, NCSB for an ADM NS Pol meeting.
<b>Title:</b> Weekly DM FI Meeting	March 14, 2023	DM, PS	PS produced material to support PS DM for weekly DM FI meeting.
<b>Title:</b> Foreign Influence Transparency Registry Stakeholder Engagement	March 20, 2023	Minister of PS	DM PS approved on 23 March 2023 and the docket was moved to MINO on the same date. While there is no formal record of MIN PS signature, through email correspondence DMO confirmed the DM and MIN greenlit next steps to move from planning to the implementation phase.
<b>Title:</b> Information Package for Members of Parliament on the Foreign Influence Transparency Consultations	April 3, 2023	Minister of PS	Signed by DM PS on April 12, 2023. PS produced a package that could be used by Members of Parliament (MPs) during the stakeholder consultation process. This was provided to the Minister of PS' office to use at their discretion.
<b>Title:</b> Canada's Counter-Foreign Interference Strategy	April 4, 2023	Minister of PS	DM PS provided comments on March 30, 2023. Docket was re-submitted to NCSB SADM on April 4, 2023.
<b>Title:</b> Weekly Deputy Minister Meeting on Foreign Interference	April 5, 2023	DM of PS	PS produced material to support PS DM at a DMC-FI meeting.
<b>Title:</b> Weekly Meeting of Assistant Deputy Ministers on Foreign Interference	April 6, 2023	SADM, NCSB	PS produced material to support SADM, NCSB at an ADM FI meeting.
<b>Title:</b> Weekly Meeting of Assistant Deputy Ministers on Foreign Interference	April 13, 2023	SADM, NCSB	PS produced material to support SADM, NCSB at an ADM FI meeting.

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<b>Title:</b> Letter to Members of Parliament on Foreign Interference	April 17, 2023	Minister of PS	DM PS approved docket on 20 April 2023.
<b>Title:</b> Letter to Members of Parliament on Foreign Interference	May 17, 2023	Minister of PS	The original Letter to Members of Parliament on Foreign Interference was updated and re-submitted on May 17, 2023. DM PS approved docket on May 24, 2023.
<b>Title:</b> Canada's Counter-Foreign Interference Strategy	June 6, 2023	DM, PS	PS did not circulate the Counter-FI (C-FI) Strategy to DM FI membership at the time due to other initiatives. PS decided to revisit the Strategy through DM FI at a later date.
<b>Title:</b> Public Release of Foreign Influence Transparency Consultations "What We Heard" Report	June 13, 2023	DM, PS	DM PS approved on June 20, 2023.
<b>Title:</b> Canada's Counter-Foreign Interference Strategy	June 14, 2023	Minister of PS	Docket was sent up on June 14, 2023.
<b>Title:</b> Weekly Deputy Minister – Clerk Meeting on Foreign Interference	July 11, 2023	DM, PS	PS produced material to support PS DM at a DMC-FI meeting.
<b>Title:</b> Public Release of Foreign Influence Transparency Consultations "What We Heard" Report	July 20, 2023	Minister of PS	Further to DM approval on June 20, 2023, docket was submitted to Minister of PS. PS DM approved this new docket on July 21, 2023.
<b>Title:</b> Updated Material for Consultations on Foreign Interference Legislative Amendments	July 21, 2023	Associate Deputy Minister PS	Approved by Associate DM on August 3, 2023. PS shared documents with PCO on August 3, 2023.
<b>Title:</b> Weekly Deputy Minister – Clerk Meeting on Foreign Interference	July 24, 2023	DM, PS	PS produced material to support PS DM at a DMC-FI meeting.

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<b>Title:</b> Updated Material for Consultations on Foreign Interference Legislative Amendments	August 2, 2023	Minister of PS	Updated consultation documents were provided to PS MINO for information in advance of interdepartmental MINO meeting on August 4, 2023 to discuss the launch of consultations.
<b>Title:</b> Public Release of Foreign Influence Transparency Consultations “What We Heard” Report	August 2, 2023	Minister of PS	Re-submission of Public Release of Foreign Influence Transparency Consultations “What We Heard” Report package to the DM, in light of new Minister.  Package was later re-submitted for approval in November 2023 to publish a longer version of the ‘What We Heard’ (WWH) report. Final WWH report was published in November 2023.
<b>Title:</b> Weekly Deputy Minister – Clerk Meeting on Foreign Interference	August 15, 2023	DM, PS	Following DMC FI, updated consultation documents were provided to the implicated MINOs/PMO to seek approval to launch consultations.
<b>Title:</b> Consultations on Foreign Interference Legislative Amendments	August 22, 2023	Minister of PS	This memo was used to inform MIN PS of planned consultations on FITR, CSIS Act, Criminal Code, SOIA and CEA.
<b>Title:</b> Meeting notes for DM PS: DM-FI	September 12, 2023	DM, PS	PS produced material to support PS DM at a DMFI meeting.
<b>Title:</b> Proceeding with Foreign Influence Transparency and Accountability Act	30 October, 2023	Minister of PS	DM PS approved docket on October 30, 2023.
<b>Title:</b> Briefing Parliamentarians on Foreign Interference	November 6, 2023	Minister of PS	This was approved and briefings have been provided.
<b>Title:</b> Public Release of the “What We Heard Report: Consulting Canadians on the Merits of a Foreign Influence Transparency Registry”	November 8, 2023	DM, PS	Associate DM PS approved on November 8, 2023. Report was published on November 24, 2023.

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<b>Title:</b> Technical Briefing Materials to Support Tabling of the Foreign Influence Transparency and Accountability Act	November 24, 2023	DM, PS	Material was produced to support the tabling of the <i>Foreign Influence Transparency and Accountability Act</i> , which was tabled as part of <i>An Act Respecting Countering Foreign Interference</i> (Bill C-70) on May 6, 2024.

4. A listing and description of all existing arrangements and undertakings (including Memoranda of Understanding) between government departments and agencies, and with international partners, aimed at detecting, deterring, and countering foreign interference activities, including the dates that the arrangements have been in place.

PS has created strong relationships, including with other federal government partners, provincial and territorial governments, and foreign partnerships, such as the G7, and through collaboration with key allies. Further details regarding these partnerships are provided in the unclassified and classified responses to questions #6, 7, and 8.

5. A listing and description of all warrant applications related to foreign interference submitted to the Minister of Public Safety, and ministerial authorizations submitted to the Minister of National Defence, including date submitted to the Minister, date approved by the Minister, date of decision by the Federal Court and, if applicable, the reasons for decision.

Please refer to the Classified Annex.

6. A listing and description of the date, venue, participants and summary of discussion for all engagements by senior executives (ADM and above, including Ministers) with representatives of foreign governments (especially China, Russia and India) where the subject of foreign interference was raised.

Please refer to the Classified Annex for additional engagements in this area. The unclassified engagements include the following:

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May 29, 2019	<p><b>Title:</b> Meeting between PS and Australian Department of Home Affairs</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Bilateral engagement with Department of Home Affairs on hostile state activity (HSA) and Canada's preparations ahead of 2019 Elections</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vincent Rigby, <i>Associate Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Australia</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Marc Ablong, <i>Deputy Secretary, Department of Home Affairs</i></li> </ul>
November 18, 2020	<p><b>Title:</b> FCM 2020/21- Executive Steering Group Meeting</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Agenda included a discussion on Countering Foreign Interference and Espionage in Academia and Research and Development Sectors [CAN PS/ AUS]</p> <p>Canada spoke to the concept note and explained that the Five Eyes partners are at the forefront of cutting-edge research and development. Canada highlighted that research security has rapidly grown into a bona fide issue of economic security and countering foreign interference. As a potential solution, he suggested that improving research security practices and strengthening cooperation and information sharing would contribute to addressing these two broader issues.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dominic Rochon, <i>SADM, NCSB, PS</i></li> <li>Marian Campbell-Jarvis, <i>Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship</i></li> <li>Kathy Thompson, <i>Vice President - Strategic Policy Branch, CBSA</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Delegations from Australia, New Zealand, UK, and US</b></p>
April 7, 2021	<p><b>Title:</b> Five Country Ministerial 2021</p> <p><b>Location:</b> New Zealand</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Agenda included a discussion of countering the threat of FI and unwanted knowledge transfer in academia, research, and development sectors</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bill Blair, <i>Minister of Public Safety</i></li> <li>Marco Mendicino, <i>Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Delegations from Australia, New Zealand, UK, and US</b></p>



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May 16-17, 2022	<p><b>Title:</b> Five Country Ministerial (FCM) Executive Steering Group (ESG) Meeting, 2022</p> <p><b>Location:</b> Washington, United States</p> <p><b>Description:</b> The FCM is an annual forum for the Five Eyes security ministers to meet and discuss opportunities for collaboration. The ESG meeting takes place in the lead-up to the FCM in order to prepare discussions for the Ministerial. At the ESG, participants discussed the proposed FCM 2022 agenda item 'Malign Influence of the People's Republic of China (PRC)', with a focus on non-traditional collectors.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dominic Rochon, <i>SADM, NCSB, PS</i></li> <li>• Marian Campbell Jarvis, <i>Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship</i></li> <li>• Scott Millar, <i>Vice President, CBSA</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Delegations from Australia, New Zealand, UK, and US</b></p>
September 12-14, 2022	<p><b>Title:</b> FCM 2022</p> <p><b>Location:</b> Washington, United States</p> <p><b>Description:</b> The FCM is an annual forum for the Five Eyes security ministers to meet and discuss opportunities for collaboration. One of the agenda items discussed at FCM 2022 was 'Addressing Malign Activity by the PRC'.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marco Mendicino, <i>Minister of Public Safety</i></li> <li>• Rob Stewart, <i>Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> <li>• Tricia Geddes, <i>Associate Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> <li>• Dominic Rochon, <i>SADM, NCSB, PS</i></li> <li>• Marianne Campbell Jarvis, <i>Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Delegations from Australia, New Zealand, UK, and US</b></p>
November 16-18, 2022	<p><b>Title:</b> G7 Interior Ministers' Meeting</p> <p><b>Location:</b> Eltville am Rhein, Germany</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Agenda included discussion of hybrid threats and FI: This session included two speakers who highlighted the importance of platform regulation and interoperability, as well as information security.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marco Mendicino, <i>Minister of Public Safety</i></li> <li>• Shawn Tupper, <i>Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> </ul> <p><b>G7 delegations from France, Germany, Italy, UK, US and observers from the European Union and INTERPOL.</b></p>

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February 28, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> Threats to Democracy Task Force</p> <p><b>Location:</b> London, UK</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Agenda included a discussion on international collaboration on FI, including transnational repression</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High Commissioner Ralph Goodale</li> </ul>
February 27-28, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> FCM ESG Meeting</p> <p><b>Description:</b> At the ESG, participants discussed the planned FCM 2023 agenda item: 'Hostile Activities by State Actors (HASA)', including the sub-topics of research security, technology transfer, data security, critical infrastructure, and democratic resilience.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sébastien Aubertin-Giguère, Acting <i>SADM, NCSB, PS</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Delegations from Australia, New Zealand, UK, and US</b></p>
March 20, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> Minister Mendicino's meeting with Germany's Federal Minister of the Interior and Community, Nancy Faeser</p> <p><b>Location:</b> Ottawa</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Discussion included an exchange of perspectives on addressing FI threats.</p>	<p><b>Participants:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Marco Mendicino, <i>Minister of Public Safety</i></li> <li>Tricia Geddes, <i>Associate Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Germany</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nancy Faeser, <i>Federal Minister of the Interior and Community</i></li> <li>Sabine Sparwasser, <i>Ambassador</i></li> </ul>
April 4-6, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> Public Safety – Home Office Dialogue on National Security</p> <p><b>Location:</b> London, UK</p> <p><b>Description:</b> DM Tupper and Permanent Secretary Rycroft shared lessons on respective approaches, including tools to tackle state threats / hostile activities by state actors, and approaches to public consultations. Both parties committed to sharing best practices on our respective successes, and working together, including in international fora.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shawn Tupper, <i>Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> <li>Sébastien Aubertin-Giguère, <i>Acting SADM, NCSB, PS</i></li> </ul> <p><b>UK</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Matthew Rycroft, <i>Home Office Permanent Secretary</i></li> </ul>

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June 27-28, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> FCM 2023  <b>Location:</b> Wellington, New Zealand  <b>Description:</b> On the agenda at FCM 2023 was the topic of countering FI – domestic security, as well as countering FI – research security.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marco Mendicino, <i>Minister for Public Safety</i></li> <li>• Shawn Tupper, <i>Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> <li>• Patrick Boucher, <i>SADM, NCSB, PS</i></li> <li>• Marian Campbell Jarvis, <i>Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic and Program Policy, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Australia, New Zealand, UK, and US delegations</b></p>
September 12, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> Five Country Ministers ad hoc call on Transnational Repression (TNR)  <b>Location:</b> Virtual  <b>Description:</b> An ad hoc call with Five Country partners was convened by the United Kingdom on the issue of transnational repression (TNR), as an action item/follow-up from FCM 2023.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dominic LeBlanc, <i>Minister, Public Safety</i></li> <li>• Shawn Tupper, <i>Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Australia, New Zealand, UK, and US delegations</b></p>
October 2, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> Impromptu Public Safety Bilat with The Netherlands  <b>Description:</b> general FI updates.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sébastien Aubertin-Giguère, <i>National Counter Foreign Interference Coordinator, PS</i></li> <li>• Other GoC officials (DG level and below)</li> </ul> <p><b>The Netherlands</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hester Somsen, <i>Deputy National Coordinator for Security and Counterterrorism, Director Security and State Threats</i></li> </ul>

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October 2, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> Impromptu Public Safety Bilat with Sweden</p> <p><b>Description:</b> general FI updates.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sébastien Aubertin-Giguère, <i>National Counter Foreign Interference Coordinator, PS</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Sweden</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mikael Tofvesson, <i>Head of Operations department, Psychological Defence Agency</i></li> </ul>
October 6, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> PS bilat with Australia (Counter Foreign Interference Coordination Centre)</p> <p><b>Description:</b> General information exchange/update.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sébastien Aubertin-Giguère, <i>National Counter Foreign Interference Coordinator, PS</i></li> <li>Other GoC officials (DG level and below)</li> </ul> <p><b>Australia</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nathan Smyth, <i>National Counter Foreign Interference Coordinator, Department of Home Affairs</i></li> </ul>
October 6, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> PS bilat with US</p> <p><b>Description:</b> FI generally, with a focus on malign foreign influence in higher education sector.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sébastien Aubertin-Giguère, <i>National Counter Foreign Interference Coordinator, PS</i></li> <li>Other GoC officials (DG level and below)</li> </ul> <p><b>US</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>David Newman, <i>Deputy Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, Department of Justice</i></li> </ul>

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December 8-10, 2023	<p><b>Title:</b> G7 Interior Ministers' Meeting  <b>Location:</b> Mito, Ibaraki, Japan  <b>Description:</b> Agenda included discussion on G7 country approaches and best practices to countering FI, including national security legislation and foreign interference registries</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shawn Tupper, <i>Deputy Minister, PS</i> (on behalf of the Minister of PS)</li> <li>Patrick Boucher, <i>SADM, NCSB, PS</i></li> </ul> <p><b>G7 delegations from France, Germany, Italy, UK, US and observers from the European Union and INTERPOL.</b></p>
January 18, 2024	<p><b>Title:</b> Meeting – Public Safety / U.S. Department of Justice  <b>Location:</b> Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Ave  <b>Description:</b> Discussion of recent United States Department of Justice led efforts to bolster Counter-FI legislation and authorities. Considered lessons learned in the context of Canada's recently launched Counter-FI legislative consultations.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patrick Boucher, <i>SADM, NCSB, PS</i></li> </ul> <p><b>US</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>David Newman, <i>Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General for National Security</i></li> <li>Kara Podraza, <i>Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General;</i> and Eun Young Choi, <i>Deputy Assistant Attorney General for National Security Division</i></li> </ul>
February 13, 2024	<p><b>Title:</b> FCM Call  <b>Location:</b> virtual  <b>Description:</b> Ministers exchanged perspectives and updates on efforts to counter FI threats.</p>	<p><b>Canada</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dominic LeBlanc, <i>Minister of Public Safety</i></li> <li>Marc Miller, <i>Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship of Canada</i></li> <li>Shawn Tupper, <i>Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> <li>Tricia Geddes, <i>Associate Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> <li>Patrick Boucher, <i>SADM, NCSB, PS</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Delegations from Australia, New Zealand, UK, and US</b></p>

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March 10-13, 2024	<b>Title:</b> Global Fraud Summit <b>Location:</b> London, UK <b>Description:</b> meetings held with summit participants included an exchange of views and country perspectives on addressing FI threats.	<b>Canada</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dominic LeBlanc, <i>Minister of Public Safety, Democratic Institutions and Intergovernmental Affairs</i></li> <li>• Tricia Geddes, <i>Associate Deputy Minister, PS</i></li> </ul> <b>Delegations from Australia, New Zealand, UK, and US</b>

**7. A listing and description of all education campaigns aimed at Parliamentarians and their staff, political parties, government employees at federal, provincial or municipal levels, diaspora groups, or the general public related to foreign interference.**

PS has undertaken engagement, education, and public awareness campaigns relative to foreign interference, including:

- In fall 2020, PS supported the Minister of PS sending a letter outlining the threat of FI and the current measures to address this threat to all MPs. A copy of this letter is publicly accessible: <https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/trnsprnc/brfng-mtrls/prlmntry-bndrs/20210625/27-en.aspx?wbdisable=true>.
- In early 2023, PS undertook significant consultations with Canadians and civil society regarding the creation of a foreign interference transparency registry.
- In winter 2023-24, Public Safety, in partnership with CSIS and Justice Canada, undertook 35 roundtable discussions to discuss potential foreign interference-related legislative amendments with Indigenous organizations, academics and civil society, religious and minority groups, advocacy organizations, industry associations and all provinces and territories.

**8. (PCO and/or Public Safety) For each interdepartmental committee related to foreign interference, listing of meeting frequency (or meeting dates if *ad hoc*) and description of what documentation is routinely produced for each committee (e.g. agendas, list of participants, annotated agendas for the Chair, meeting summaries, minutes).**

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PS relies on, and agrees with, the list of interdepartmental committees, and the information provided about those committees, set out in the PCO Institutional Report.

9. A listing of all engagements at divisional Director level (or equivalent) or above with representatives of diaspora groups where the subject of foreign interference was discussed. Listing should include dates, names of departmental and diaspora representatives and summary of discussion.

The NCFIC regularly undertakes engagement sessions with Canadians, including diaspora groups. Further details are provided below, subject to consideration of protections and assurances made to groups and individuals who participated in these engagement sessions and who are at high risk of becoming victims of transnational repression by foreign states for their participation.

Date	Participating Federal Government Organizations	Participating Stakeholders	Summary of Discussion
December 01, 2023	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Cross-Cultural Roundtable on Security	At the meeting, stakeholders shared thoughts and concerns on issues related to information sharing, threats assessments, and ways that communities can contact relevant authorities.
December 12, 2023	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Community groups	At this meeting, stakeholders were particularly concerned with information sharing and CSIS' ability to share information outside of government.
December 12, 2023	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Government of Manitoba	Meeting attendees were particularly concerned about education surrounding foreign interference and the legislative changes impacting information sharing.
December 13, 2023	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Community groups	Attendees were primarily focused on discussing legislative changes relating to information sharing. They sought clarity on how CSIS' proposed amendments would impact electoral interference in municipalities.
December 14, 2023	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Community groups	At this meeting, attendees proposed numerous legislative amendment suggestions.

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December 18, 2023	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Community groups	Meeting attendees primarily focused on concerns relating to the involvement of non-state entities without relations to a foreign government participating in interference activities.
December 18, 2023	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Community groups	Meeting attendees were primarily concerned about CSIS' information gathering practices, and discussed with government representatives why the decision was made not to build accountability measures into the legislation, but to instead create policy solutions.
January 15, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	The Government of Yukon	Attendees were most concerned with the logistics that would stem from increased information sharing, such as requirements for security clearances and the creation of secure facilities in which to store classified information.
January 16, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Council of Canadian Innovators  Chamber of Commerce  Digital Technology	Discussions at this meeting primarily focused on information sharing, defining security classifications, and impacts on industry.
January 16, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Government of British Columbia	Participants at this meeting focused on the legislative amendments to the <i>CSIS Act</i> and emphasized the need for CSIS to consult with community groups and municipal governments.
January 17, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	[Withheld]	Discussion centred on issues surrounding information sharing such as the expectations set on entities who receive this information, and how information sharing with universities will be implemented.
January 17, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	The Government of Alberta	Attendees advocated for a broader definition of foreign interference activities and urged that threats to critical infrastructure be prioritized.



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January 18, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Centre for International Governance Innovation	At this meeting representatives urged that CSIS work proactively to create policy and statements regarding the use of AI. They also recommended that older pieces of the CSIS Act be opened up for review.
January 18, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs	At this meeting, participants sought clarity on the definition of FI. They also sought clarity on whether the Foreign Interference Transparency Registry would hinder the Assembly's ability to collaborate with international groups.
January 18, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	The Government of Northwest Territories	Participants were supportive of the expansion of CSIS' ability to share information, but they urged CSIS to focus on the actions of hostile states.
January 19, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	The Government of Saskatchewan	Participants were concerned with the topic of information sharing and emphasized that information sharing activities must be viewed from the lens of building resiliency. They also suggested that there must be oversight mechanisms to ensure that this power is not misused.
January 23, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	University of Ottawa National Security Task Force	Attendees noted that the definitions used in the amendments must be carefully thought through. They noted that additional clarity needs to be provided on what actions the legislation defines as deceptive and what actions the legislation defines as to have been done on behalf of a foreign government.
January 25, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	The Government of Prince Edward Island	Attendees were supportive of the expansion of CSIS' powers to share information and noted the importance of aligning federal and provincial legislation regarding information sharing.
January 26, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	The Government of New Brunswick	Participants encouraged CSIS to lay out specific and definitive roles between different levels of government. In this endeavour, they suggested that Canada look to Australia, New Zealand, and Germany as models.

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January 29, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	The Government of Nova Scotia	Attendees were supportive of the expansion of CSIS' information sharing capabilities and desired clarity on how provinces would be able to use this information and if the information would be attributable to CSIS.
January 29, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Business Council of Canada	Participants were supportive of the legislative changes and asked for clarity on whether recipients of information from CSIS would need to undergo security clearances.
January 30, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Government of Newfoundland	Discussions primarily centred on information sharing. Participants sought clarity on who CSIS would be looking to share information with and if the information sharing relationship could go both ways.
January 31, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Government of Ontario	Participants raised concerns that the new offences would infringe on the provincial prosecutorial right.
January 31, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Government of Québec	Attendees were supportive of the amendments and stressed the importance of federal agencies sharing information with provincial governments before it reaches cities, universities and other entities under provincial jurisdiction to allow for a cohesive provincial response.
February 01, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	[Withheld]	Attendees made inquiries regarding several logistical items stemming from the increased information sharing capabilities such as the classification of information shared, and the clearances needed to access this information.
February 01, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	[Withheld]	Attendees' primary concern was whether the proposed amendments will be aligned with protecting human rights and civil liberties.
February 01, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	[Withheld]	Participants noted several concerns with regards to information sharing such as the accuracy of intelligence and issues of transparency.

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February 02, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police	The participants were in agreement with the amendments.
February 07, 2024	PS, CSIS, DOJ	Government of Nunavut	Attendees were in agreement with regards to the changes and noted that they would like more information and insight regarding targeted attacks towards government agencies.

**10. Any relevant updates related to the information provided in the Stage 1 Institutional Report**

With respect to PS' Stage 1 Institutional Report response to question #4, PS senior officials are no longer routinely serviced by a Communications Security Establishment (CSE) Client Relations Officer (CRO), but rather, are provided with tailored intelligence packages by a CSIS employee seconded to the Department. These packages include intelligence from all Canadian collectors as well as intelligence received from our allies. This updated protocol includes the precise tracking of intelligence dissemination to identify the recipients and readership of a particular intelligence document and provides more accurate and timely information to senior officials.