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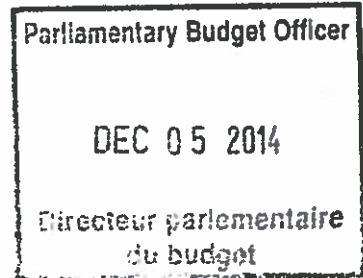
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Dear Mr. Fréchette,

I am writing to you in response to your 21 October 2014 request for access to the "Defence Personnel, Operations & Maintenance Model".

With respect to the Defence Personnel, Operations & Maintenance model, it is our view that the request is outside the mandate and access entitlement, set out in section 79.3(1) of the *Parliament of Canada Act*, as the model is not financial or economic data but is instead a tool used within the Department of National Defence to process data. Therefore, we will not be providing you with the information that you have requested.

I would like to take this opportunity to reaffirm the Department of National Defence's commitment to provide you with access to the data to which you are entitled under the *Parliament of Canada Act*.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Fadden

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