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Dear Mr. Fréchette,

I am writing to you in response to your 7 November 2014 request for access to “all flying hours by aircraft to date” on Operation IMPACT covered during Lieutenant-General Jonathan Vance’s Technical Briefing of 4 November 2014. Further, you had requested a military briefing on Operation IMPACT and any other up-to-date briefings on operations.

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 requested information is not financial or economic data. Therefore, we will not be providing you with the information that you have requested.

Information on the Royal Canadian Air Force’s activities as part of Operation IMPACT is available on DND/CAF’s website (<http://www.forces.gc.ca/en/operations-abroad-current/op-impact.page>).

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

c.c.: Mr. Douglas Nevison, Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet, Privy Council Office,  
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