



November 17, 2010

Mr. Robert Fonberg
Deputy Minister
National Defence Canada
101 Colonel By Drive
Ottawa ON K1A 0K2

Re: PBO Information Request 036

Dear Mr. Fonberg:

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I am writing to you today to request information to support an inquiry my office has received from a Member of Parliament regarding the proposed acquisition of 65 F-35 Joint Strike Fighters.

I would like to request from your Department:

- (1) the approved "statement of requirements" for the replacement of the CF-18s; and
- (2) the latest and upcoming US Department of Defense's Joint Estimating Team (JET) report relating the F-35 and Joint Strike Fighter program.

I would be grateful if the "statement of requirements", finalized in the spring of 2010, and the latest JET report could be provided as soon as possible, with the upcoming JET report following shortly after its publication on November 22, 2010.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours truly,

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Kevin Page
Parliamentary Budget Officer

c.c.: Rick Stewart, Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet, Privy Council Office, Liaison Secretariat for Macroeconomic Policy



PBO Information Request

1) Request Number:	036
2) PBO Contact Name:	Tolga Yalkin (613-947-0561 or yalkit@parl.gc.ca)
3) Type of Request:	Ad hoc
4) PBO Objective:	The data will be used to complete the PBO's costing forecasts for the F-35 JSF.
5) Relation to Mandate:	To provide independent analysis to the Senate and House of Commons on estimates and the fiscal framework.
6) Information and Data Requested:	Selected Acquisition Report ('SAR') and US Department of Defence's Joint Estimating Team (JET) report.
7) Priority:	Normal (5 working days for easily accessible data)
8) Date Request Sent:	November 17, 2010
9) Response Required By:	November 24, 2010