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Mr. Jean-Denis Fréchette  
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Dear Mr. Fréchette,

I am writing to you in response to your 10 October 2014 request for data IR0171, regarding the current version of the Canadian Surface Combatant (CSC) System Requirements Document.

With respect to the CSC System Requirements Document, it is our view that the request in this regard is outside the mandate and access entitlement, set out in section 79.3(1) of the *Parliament of Canada Act*, as the information contained in the document is not financial or economic 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

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