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Mr. Yves Giroux  
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Dear Mr. Giroux:

Thank you for your letter of May 21, 2020, regarding an information request (IR0490) related to additional measures taken by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

You will find enclosed the completed reply form as well as the information you requested on Mitacs and the Canadian COVID-19 Genomics Network. I have provided the most up-to-date information available at this time as of June 3, 2020. While you have requested weekly reporting, given that the requested data has to be collated from a variety of sources and that not much variability of data is expected from week to week, my Department will send updated data on a monthly basis.

I understand that you also requested data pertaining to Futurpreneur Canada and the Canadian data monitoring initiative. We have provided the information related to Futurpreneur Canada in response to a separate information request (IR0471). The request related to the Canadian data monitoring initiative, as you are aware, has been redirected to the Public Health Agency of Canada as the agency responsible for its implementation. I have also taken the liberty of copying my colleague, the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Health, on this correspondence to ensure that she is aware of the redirected request.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "N. Bains".

The Honourable Navdeep Bains, P.C., M.P.

Enclosures:

Annex A – IR0490 Reply Form

Annex B – Response to IR0490 Request

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c.c.: The Honourable Patty Hajdu, P.C., M.P.