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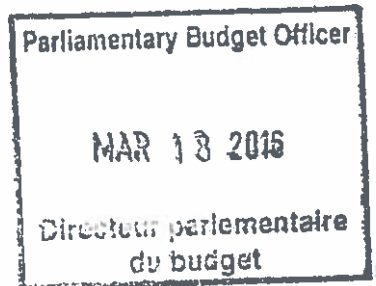
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Mr. Jean-Denis Fréchette
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Dear Mr. Fréchette,

I am writing to you in response to your 02 March 2016 request for information IR0215 requesting the following documents relating to the Canadian Surface Combatant:

1. the Statement of Requirements (SOR);
2. the costing report from September 2011 by BMT Fleetway;
3. DND Internally generated Concept Exploration document;
4. the Technical Statement of Requirements;
5. Systems Requirements Document (SRD) for the CSC; and
6. the Requirements Reconciliation document done by Kearney and Gibbs and Cox.

Of note, the document you've described as a Technical Statement of Requirements is in actual fact the same as the System Requirements Document (SRD). Therefore, we consider this request to be for five, not six, documents.

Enclosed are the costing report from 2011 by BMT Fleetway and an internal report completed in 2014 entitled Concept Exploration of an Area Air Defence Destroyer for CSC. We consider this latter document to be a more accurate representation of the Canadian Surface Combatant Concept and should better assist you in your cost analysis.

Also enclosed is the unclassified, non-International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) portion of the Requirements Reconciliation document prepared by AT Kearney. There is a second non-redacted version of the report but it is subject to ITAR and therefore not releasable. My officials are available to meet with you to brief on the requirements reconciliation process to date and how costing will be refined as we go forward. Please let my office know if such a briefing is required.

The Statement of Requirements and the Technical Statement of Requirements/Systems Requirements Document are not enclosed. These documents are classified as Secret and

are currently in draft form. We will continue to consider your request for access to these documents as they are refined and finalized.

I look forward to continuing working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Forster". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

John Forster

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