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Mr. Yves Giroux
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Dear Mr. Giroux:

I am writing in response to your 6 December 2018 information request regarding the data and methodology on the cost estimates for Operation REASSURANCE (IR0399).

Understanding that cost estimates continue to be adjusted as the operation unfolds, please find enclosed the cost estimate breakdown for the land, air and sea components of the renewal of Operation REASSURANCE from 2019-20 to 2022-23. An updated outline of National Defence's operation cost estimate process is also enclosed for your reference. A previous version of this document was provided to your office in response to IR0358.

Please be advised that the enclosed documents contain sensitive information regarding a Canadian Armed Forces operation, and I trust that it will be useful for your analysis. However, I respectfully request that you do not release the enclosed documents publicly or share them outside of your organization, as indicated in the enclosed Reply Form.

At your convenience, departmental officials will be available to brief your officials on the underlying methodologies and analysis that have gone into the development of the enclosed cost estimate breakdown.

I look forward to our continued collaboration.

Sincerely,


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