



## RESPONSE TO PETITION

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PETITION No.: **421-03136**

BY: **MR. BERNIER (BEAUCE)**

DATE: **JANUARY 30, 2019**

PRINT NAME OF SIGNATORY: **SIGNED BY THE HONOURABLE NAVDEEP BAINS**

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Response by the Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development

SIGNATURE

Minister or Parliamentary Secretary

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SUBJECT

**Telecommunications**

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**ORIGINAL TEXT**

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**REPLY**

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) was informed of the individual's conduct in December 2015 by a group of amateur radio operators from Quebec. The individual was operating an amateur radio station without proper authorization and was known to insult, threaten and impersonate other amateur operators. As the individual disregarded ISED's written and verbal warnings, the department took action to enforce the *Act*. Due to repeated offences, ISED carried out three searches of the individual's residences and issued seven notices of violation totalling \$2,500 plus fees.

On October 17, 2018, the individual was found guilty of these seven violations of subsection 4(1) of the *Radiocommunication Act*, pursuant to subsection 10(1) of the *Act*, by Justice of the Peace Annie Vanasse at the Trois-Rivières Courthouse.

ISED also called upon a federal prosecutor to obtain an injunction against the individual. This injunction is currently at the interlocutory stage. ISED understands that the individual has not been heard on amateur radio since August 8, 2018.

ISED is closely following this case.