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Mr. John Williamson, M.P.  
Chair  
Standing Committee on Public Accounts  
House of Commons  
Ottawa ON K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Williamson:

This letter is in regard to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts' Thirty-Fifth Report entitled, *Report 35, Specific COVID-19 Benefits* (tabled in the House of Commons December 12, 2023, pursuant to Standing Order 109) and its request for reports on progress in response to Recommendations 3 and 4 on or before March 31, 2024.

The Government thanks the members of the Committee for their interest and attention to the Canada Revenue Agency's (CRA's) efforts to address the issues identified in the Auditor General's audit.

In response to the Committee's request in Recommendation 3, please note that the CRA is currently working on a report on the value of implementing a real-time business revenue data requirement in Canada.

In response to the Committee's request in Recommendation 4, please note that the CRA is currently working on a progress report on the development of a real-time payroll system and its collaboration with Employment and Social Development Canada in this regard.

The reports on progress will be provided to the Committee as part of the comprehensive Government of Canada Response to the Thirty-Fifth Report, on or before April 10, 2024.

The Government extends its thanks to the Committee for its work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M. C. Bibeau".

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, P.C., M.P.