



November 18, 2022

Mr. Paul Cardegna  
Clerk of the Committee  
Standing Committee on  
Government Operations and Estimates  
House of Commons  
131 Queen Street, 6th Floor  
Ottawa ON K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Cardegna:

Pursuant to the Committee's motion regarding the provision of documents for its study of the Office of the Secretary to the Governor General's expenditures, please find attached to this email, the final instalment of records from Global Affairs Canada (GAC). As advised on October 26, 2022, this instalment includes all invoices in both official languages. These documents are provided further to the first instalment, which was delivered on October 31.

GAC has continued to apply the principle of transparency to the greatest extent possible. GAC's review resulted in redactions of information for which disclosure would be injurious to individual and public safety, such as (1) personal information, (2) security information and names of security personnel, and (3) credit card and financial information. You will notice the applications of the following stamps throughout the invoices provided:

- (1) *Personal Information*. Severances were applied to the identities of individual(s), other than federal government employees, unless information about the individual(s) was readily accessible in the public domain.
- (2) *Security Information and Security Personnel*. GAC considered the potential for injury to mitigate and protect sensitive information that may be exploited through criminal methods and techniques. Information protected in accordance with the review of sensitivities pursuant to a security perspective encompassed network information, the disclosure of which would render cellular devices vulnerable to exploitation, and security personnel as they served in a capacity of security detail.
- (3) *Credit card and financial information*. Severances were similarly applied to information pursuant to a security perspective of which disclosure could reasonably be expected to result in financial loss and exploitation through criminal methods and/or techniques.

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GAC has now provided all documents within the scope of the motion passed by the Committee. Outstanding documents from the Department of National Defence and the Canadian Armed Forces will be delivered directly to the Committee at a later date.

Sincerely,

Colleen Calvert  
Director General and Corporate Secretary  
Corporate Secretariat