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MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

Open and Transparent Sharing of COVID-19 Data / Partage ouvert et transparent des données liées à la COVID-19

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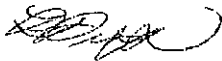
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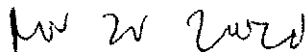
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Appendix B – Trilateral Letter to Treasury Board Secretary Peter Wallace from Chief Statistician Anil Anora, (former) PHAC President Tina Namiesniowski, and Deputy Minister of NRCan

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Sent: May 27, 2020 11:55

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Subject: The importance of openness and transparency during this unprecedented crisis -
L'importance de l'ouverture et de la transparence pendant cette crise sans précédent

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Dear colleagues:

Firstly, I would like to thank you for your continuing efforts to respond to the unprecedented public health crisis posed by COVID-19. Extraordinary efforts are being made across the entire government, both to respond to the pandemic and to maintain government operations, and I am grateful for your work and that of the entire public service. As you lead your institutions through these exceptional circumstances, I would like to remind you of the continuing importance of providing transparency and accountability to Canadians, even in times of crisis. It is paramount to the confidence of Canadians in the institutions that serve them.

While our attention is rightly focused on responding to the pandemic and mitigating its impact on Canadians and our economy, we must keep in mind the importance of documenting government decisions in these unprecedented times in a way that ensures accountability and reflects our values of openness and transparency. The Prime Minister highlighted our shared commitment to open, effective and transparent government in each of our mandate letters. On May 5th, I shared with the Information Commissioner of Canada our commitment to maintaining strong information management systems to meet our obligations to Canadians.

As many of our offices and departmental employees are now working remotely, and those carrying out non-essential work have been asked to minimize the use of government networks, it is important that we are all reminded of the importance of managing government information securely and effectively. Proper information management practices will ensure that information can be used to support decision-making and improve services for Canadians, while also upholding Canadians' right to access Government of Canada information, and ensuring that the privacy of personal information is protected.

To assist your organizations in this regard, I remind you that the Policy and Directions on Official and Digital Information came into effect on April 1, 2020 and outlines a number of requirements in respect of the management of information and data as a strategic asset of the Government of Canada. The Chief Information Officers of your institutions have specific accountabilities, working collaboratively with other officials across your organization to implement the Policy. Guidance for all employees was published on April 29, 2020 on Canada.ca as a reminder of our collective responsibilities on information management.

These responsibilities include effectively managing and safeguarding Government of Canada information in their care, documenting activities and decisions of business value, identifying what information has business value, and ensuring that this information is stored in designated corporate repositories. It also means ensuring that information is communicated and managed securely, and in accordance with its sensitivity.

I understand that workplace measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and to protect the health and well-being of federal employees and the public has had an impact on institutions' ability to respond to access to information requests. The Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat has issued guidance to institutions to encourage them to continue to make best efforts to respond to requests, in accordance with operational realities in their organization; and to make best efforts to advise requesters of possible delays given reduced capacity.

Finally, I wish to note the importance of proactive publication of information related to the pandemic to provide transparency to Canadians. As announced by the Prime Minister on April 17, 2020, the Government has committed to making information related to COVID-19 proactively available online using the Open Government Portal. The Portal will host open data on the Canada Emergency Response Benefit as a start and continue to increase open data holdings as they become available. I am encouraging Ministers to have their institutions proactively publish as much information as possible on the Open Government Portal as soon as is feasible for your institution.

The upcoming review of the *Access to Information Act* will be an opportunity to have an open exchange of ideas on how to maintain the openness and transparency of government, and I look forward to our continued collaboration in that regard.

I want to conclude by thanking you again for your continuing efforts to respond to the unprecedented public health crisis posed by COVID-19 in accordance with our values of providing effective, transparent and accountable government for Canadians.

The Honourable Jean-Yves Duclos, P.C., M.P. / c.p., député
President of the Treasury Board
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Chers collègues,

Tout d'abord, je tiens à vous remercier des efforts continus que vous déployez afin de répondre à la crise de santé publique qu'est la COVID-19. Des efforts extraordinaires sont déployés à l'échelle du gouvernement pour répondre à la pandémie et appuyer les opérations du gouvernement, et je vous suis reconnaissant de votre travail, de même que de celui de la fonction publique tout entière. Alors que vous guidez vos institutions à travers ces circonstances exceptionnelles, je désire vous rappeler l'importance continue de la transparence et de la responsabilisation à l'égard des Canadiens, même en période de crise. Ceci est primordial pour maintenir la confiance qu'ont les Canadiens à l'égard des institutions qui les servent.

Bien que notre attention se concentre à juste titre sur la réponse à la pandémie et sur l'atténuation de ses répercussions sur les Canadiens et notre économie, nous ne devons pas perdre de vue l'importance de documenter les décisions du gouvernement en cette période sans précédent, de façon à assurer la responsabilisation et à respecter nos valeurs en matière d'ouverture et de transparence. Le premier ministre a souligné notre engagement commun envers un gouvernement ouvert, efficace et transparent, dans chacune de nos lettres de mandat. Le 5 mai, j'ai partagé avec le commissaire à l'information du Canada notre engagement à l'égard du maintien de solides systèmes de gestion de l'information afin de respecter nos obligations envers les Canadiens.

Alors qu'un grand nombre de nos employés ministériels travaillent maintenant à distance, et que ceux qui ont un travail non essentiel aient à minimiser leur utilisation du réseau du gouvernement, il est important que nous nous rappelions tous l'importance de gérer l'information du gouvernement de façon sécuritaire et efficace. L'adoption de pratiques exemplaires en matière de gestion de l'information garantit l'utilisation de celle-ci en vue d'appuyer les prises de décisions et d'améliorer les services offerts aux Canadiens, tout en respectant le droit des citoyens d'accéder aux informations du gouvernement du Canada, et en protégeant les renseignements personnels afin de respecter la vie privée.

À cette fin, et pour aider votre organisation, je vous rappelle que la Politique sur les services et le numérique est entrée en vigueur le 1^{er} avril 2020, et qu'elle décrit un certain nombre d'exigences ayant trait à la gestion de l'information et aux données à titre d'actifs stratégiques du gouvernement du Canada. Les dirigeants principaux de l'information de vos institutions assument des responsabilités très précises, en collaboration avec d'autres représentants qui proviennent de l'ensemble de votre organisation, en vue de procéder à la mise en œuvre de la Politique. Une orientation à l'intention de tous les employés a été publiée le 29 avril 2020 dans le site canada.ca en guise de rappel quant à leurs responsabilités collectives en matière de gestion de l'information.

Ces responsabilités comprennent une gestion et une protection efficaces de l'information du gouvernement du Canada sous leur contrôle, la documentation des activités et des décisions ayant une valeur opérationnelle, l'identification de l'information qui a une valeur opérationnelle, et l'assurance que cette information soit stockée dans des répertoires ministériels. Cela signifie également le fait de veiller à ce que l'information soit communiquée et gérée de façon sécuritaire, conformément à son niveau de sensibilité.

Je suis conscient que les mesures prises en milieu de travail pour atténuer la propagation de la COVID-19 et pour protéger la santé et le bien-être des fonctionnaires fédéraux et du public ont eu une incidence sur la capacité des institutions de répondre aux demandes d'accès à l'information. Le Secrétariat du Conseil du Trésor du Canada a publié une orientation à l'intention des institutions afin de les encourager à continuer de faire tout ce qui est en leur pouvoir pour répondre aux demandes – tout en tenant compte des réalités opérationnelles de leur organisation – et pour informer les demandeurs des retards possibles, en raison des capacités réduites.

Enfin, je tiens à souligner l'importance d'une publication proactive de l'information sur la pandémie afin de veiller à ce que la transparence soit évidente aux yeux des Canadiens. Comme l'a annoncé le premier ministre le 17 avril 2020, le gouvernement s'est engagé à rendre disponible l'information relative à la COVID-19 de façon proactive par l'entremise du Portail du gouvernement ouvert qui est accessible en ligne. Ce Portail hébergera les données ouvertes sur la Prestation canadienne d'urgence à titre de point de départ, et continuera d'augmenter le nombre de données ouvertes qu'il détient, au fur et à mesure qu'elles sont disponibles. J'encourage les ministres à demander à leurs institutions de publier le plus d'information possible dans le Portail du gouvernement ouvert et ce, aussi rapidement que possible pour votre institution.

Le prochain examen de la *Loi sur l'accès à l'information* sera une occasion d'échanger des idées sur la façon d'appuyer l'ouverture et la transparence du gouvernement, et j'ai hâte de collaborer avec vous à cet égard.

En guise de conclusion, je veux vous remercier de nouveau de vos efforts continus en réponse à cette crise de santé publique sans précédent qu'est la COVID-19, d'une façon qui soit conforme à nos valeurs et afin de veiller à ce que notre gouvernement soit efficace, transparent et responsable aux yeux des Canadiens.

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September 4, 2020

Dear Secretary Wallace

On May 27th, Treasury Board President Jean-Yves Duclos sent a message to Cabinet Ministers (attached) reminding them of the importance of maintaining strong information management and of publishing valuable COVID-related data to the Open Government Portal. We are pleased to share how collaboration between our respective departments has contributed to this call for action.

In March, a Task Team was formed between the Public Health Agency of Canada's medical geographers, epidemiologist, analysts and project managers, Natural Resources Canada's geospatial experts, and Statistics Canada's data analysts, data scientists and geospatial experts, to develop COVID situational awareness products for internal and public use. This grassroots collaboration, initiated by the experts themselves, voluntarily assembled and rapidly mobilized the best talent from across their respective departments and the task team now involving leaders from departmental branches support the Government of Canada's COVID reporting efforts.

Openness and transparency have been guiding principles since the inception of the task team. As such, all sharable COVID-related data have been, and will continue to be, published on the Open Government portal. The wealth of information published to date is impressive, with over 40 datasets of high socioeconomic relevance being published by Statistics Canada, ranging from the [impact of social distancing measures on businesses](#), to [households with populations with underlying health issues](#), to the percentage of the workforce laid off due to COVID-19. Statistics Canada used new innovative and modern science methods to produce these data. From the Public Health Agency of Canada and Health Canada, COVID-19 epidemiological data were also published to the Open Government portal. Data contained in the [International dashboard](#) that describes COVID-19-related cases and deaths by country has also been published [here](#), and data contained in the [Canada COVID-19 Situational Awareness Dashboard](#) were published [here](#). This effort has been supported by the experts in open geospatial data, analytics, and innovative technology from Natural Resources Canada as well as geomatics and informatics experts from the Public Health Agency of Canada and the communication team from Health Canada.

Our teams are also working across federal departments and agencies, and with provinces and territories to ensure the continued and timely release of information to Canadians through the Open Government Portal and supporting our Ministers' commitments to policies and directives on open government.

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Mr. Secretary, this is truly a remarkable demonstration of commitment to public service, and to partnership and collaboration, for which we are all very proud. This Task Team continues to work together every day, as Canada deals with this unprecedented pandemic situation.

For more information, please contact any of the following leads of the Task Team:

Janice Sharpe, Senior Director, Federal Geospatial Platform, NRCan (Open Government Director General Committee member)

Alice Born, Director, Statistical Geomatics Centre/Mathieu Laporte, Director of Dissemination Division, Statistics Canada

Stephanie Brazeau, Team leader – Public Health Geomatics, National Microbiology Laboratory, Public Health Risk Sciences Division, PHAC

Regards,



Date: September 8th, 2020

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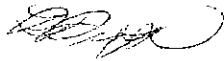
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September 4, 2020

Dear Secretary Wallace

On May 27th, Treasury Board President Jean-Yves Duclos sent a message to Cabinet Ministers (attached) reminding them of the importance of maintaining strong information management and of publishing valuable COVID-related data to the Open Government Portal. We are pleased to share how collaboration between our respective departments has contributed to this call for action.

In March, a Task Team was formed between the Public Health Agency of Canada's medical geographers, epidemiologist, analysts and project managers, Natural Resources Canada's geospatial experts, and Statistics Canada's data analysts, data scientists and geospatial experts, to develop COVID situational awareness products for internal and public use. This grassroots collaboration, initiated by the experts themselves, voluntarily assembled and rapidly mobilized the best talent from across their respective departments and the task team now involving leaders from departmental branches support the Government of Canada's COVID reporting efforts.

Openness and transparency have been guiding principles since the inception of the task team. As such, all sharable COVID-related data have been, and will continue to be, published on the Open Government portal. The wealth of information published to date is impressive, with over 40 datasets of high socioeconomic relevance being published by Statistics Canada, ranging from the [impact of social distancing measures on businesses](#), to [households with populations with underlying health issues](#), to the percentage of the workforce laid off due to COVID-19. Statistics Canada used new innovative and modern science methods to produce these data. From the Public Health Agency of Canada and Health Canada, COVID-19 epidemiological data were also published to the Open Government portal. Data contained in the [International dashboard](#) that describes COVID-19-related cases and deaths by country has also been published [here](#), and data contained in the [Canada COVID-19 Situational Awareness Dashboard](#) were published [here](#). This effort has been supported by the experts in open geospatial data, analytics, and innovative technology from Natural Resources Canada as well as geomatics and informatics experts from the Public Health Agency of Canada and the communication team from Health Canada.

Our teams are also working across federal departments and agencies, and with provinces and territories to ensure the continued and timely release of information to Canadians through the Open Government Portal and supporting our Ministers' commitments to policies and directives on open government.

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Mr. Secretary, this is truly a remarkable demonstration of commitment to public service, and to partnership and collaboration, for which we are all very proud. This Task Team continues to work together every day, as Canada deals with this unprecedented pandemic situation.

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