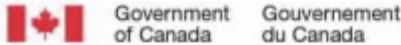


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# SITE TF SITREP: 5 June 2023

## 2023 Federal By-Elections

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### Threat Updates

#### GAC

- (U) RRM Canada did not observe any significant indicators of foreign state-sponsored information manipulation in its monitoring of the broader Canadian digital information ecosystem from May 31 to June 01.
- (U) RRM Canada assesses the vast majority of content originated from recognizable Canadian news sites, and found no instances of foreign state-sponsored news outlets commenting on the by-election.
- (U) English-language reporting on the June 19 by-elections is beginning to pick up steam. Media outlets in Manitoba, Ontario, and Quebec published a handful of articles on electoral candidates running in the Winnipeg South Centre, Portage-Lisgar, Oxford County and NDG-Westmount ridings. However, user engagement with these articles remains very low. French-language reporting on the by-elections remains minimal, and there is little French-language social media chatter on the topic.
- (U) There was no discussion of foreign interference or the June 19 by-elections on Chinese social media platforms during the reporting period.

### Operational Responses and Updates

- (U) No significant updates at this time.
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