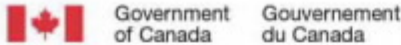


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2023 Federal By-Elections - Calgary Heritage

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Threat Updates

RCMP

- **(PROTECTED A)** Early voting polls were open from Friday 14 July to Monday 17 July 2023. IMCIT did not observe any ideologically motivated criminal threats to the voting stations.
- **(PROTECTED A)** NDP Candidate Gurmit Bhachu hosted a meet and greet on 18 July from 17H00 - 20H00 (Mountain time) at Palliser Bayview Pumphill Community Association 2323 Palliser Dr SW, Calgary, AB. [i] Party leader Jagmeet Singh participated virtually. IMCIT did not observe any ideologically motivated criminal activities related to this event, which seemingly took place without incident.
- **(PROTECTED A)** Voting day is 24 July 2023: IMCIT has not observed any ideological motivated criminal threats to the voting stations, nor any indications of intent to obstruct the election process.
- **(PROTECTED A)** Since the by-election was called on 18 June 2023, IMCIT has not identified any direct or indirect threats to the by-election across social media, message boards, chatrooms, online forums or news media. As of 20 July 2023, all candidates are yet to garner much attention online, likely given that they maintain relatively low-profiles across online platforms. IMCIT continues to assess a low threat to the by-elections stemming from ideologically motivated criminality.

GAC

- **(UNCLASSIFIED)** 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 13-20 July 2023.
- **(UNCLASSIFIED)** Coverage increased during this reporting period in both English and French Media. No coverage was observed in Chinese language media during this reporting period.

Operational Responses and Updates

- **(U)** No further updates at this time.

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