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**FW: Follow up to DG ESCC**

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I've passed the feedback and this note on to [redacted]. He agrees, makes sense to have a small meeting with GAC and PS to discuss the RRM role before any broader discussions on SITE.

[redacted] can you please set up a meeting with Tarah Denham, Richard Bilodeau, Sarah Stinson, [redacted] and myself to discuss "RRM role in SITE"?

It should be CTSN VTC

Thanks,

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Hi there,

Thanks for chairing the meeting and getting things started! I had a few quick chasers. First – a minor edit suggested in the attached (in addition to the comments I shared on the call). We aim not to use the word 'combat' (very militaristic), suggest 'addressing'.


Secondly, could you share the email contact for the gentleman from EC on the comms team? He seemed interested to follow up and I think we need to engage with his team and be clear on our mandates and where we can better align.

Finally, I have been raising in GAC (with some agreement at ADM and DM level) that RRM is not actually mandated to watch threats within Canadian contexts. Others (PS, PCO) have since been resourced and mandated to look at the domestic threat landscape – and the RRM has been more clearly mandated to look at threats internationally and in advancing our foreign policy objectives. While we have a role to leverage what we learn internationally to share with domestic agencies looking at Cnd elections – that is not where we should focus our time (to the detriment to actually delivering on what the PM has mandated us to do). All that to say, I would like to use the current situation to concretely review mandates, and if there are gaps, suggest how capacities need to be built within those that have the mandates to be sure we are covering the full threat landscape.

On this last item, I think that is likely a smaller conversation. I raised it with Sarah Stinson yesterday, but we think we need a small group to work this out. I assume you, perhaps [redacted], and some from PS should be involved?

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Thanks as always,  
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