



# Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
36NMK5F4	Complaint Web Form	10/14/2019 4:08:15 PM

## Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

## Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

## Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
 A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 Greta Thunberg

Incident date  
 2019-10-14T14:00:00

## Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Other

Please specify other locations  
 Alberta

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

There are several confirmed reports that Greta Thunberg (a foreigner) is coming the Alberta prior to the General Election of Oct. 21st in an obvious attempt to influence people to not vote Conservative and vote for parties whose primary focus is "reducing climate change". Any attempt by here to make political statements should be taken very seriously and investigated thoroughly.

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Email address

[REDACTED]

Home Phone

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Email

**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 3:27:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 14, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

The Commissioner of Canada Elections (Commissioner) is responsible for ensuring that the *Canada Elections Act* (the Act) is complied with and enforced.

Foreign interference in the Canadian electoral process can pose a serious threat to our democracy. With the adoption of Bill C-76 in December 2018, Parliament amended the Act to better clarify what type of foreign interference it considered to be harmful to our democracy. Section 282.4 of the Act now identifies two circumstances where attempts by a foreign person or entity to influence electors' electoral choices are "undue influence", and as such, prohibited under the Act. The first of these is when the foreign person or entity knowingly incurs an expense to directly promote or oppose a candidate or a registered party in the election. The second circumstance is where one of the things done to influence electors by the person or entity is an offence under any Canadian statute or regulation (be they federal or provincial).

Moreover, in adopting section 282.4, Parliament identified certain circumstances that do not constitute "undue influence" for the purposes of the new prohibition. These include:

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- the transmission through broadcasting or through electronic or print media, of an editorial, speech, interview, column, letter, commentary or news, regardless of any expense incurred in doing so.

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## Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252	Event Date:	2019-11-28 02:14 PM
Date:	2019-11-28	Staff Member:	██████████
Time:	02:16:23 PM		

Note:

### **RECOMMENDATION REPORT**

#### **Background/Issue:**

On 2019-10-14, OCCE received the first of several complaints pertaining to Greta Thunberg, a Swedish national who does not reside in Canada, travelling to Canada to speak at climate change rallies. The complaints allege foreign interference.

On September 27, 2019, during the 43rd GE pre-election period, Thunberg spoke in Montreal at UN sponsored event and met with PM Trudeau.

During the 43rd GE election period, Thunberg spoke at an Edmonton climate strike on October 18, 2019.

Post 43rd GE, Thunberg spoke at a Vancouver climate strike on October 25, 2019. This event is outside the scope of the Act.

Rallies that only take a position on an issue, without identifying a political actor are not regulated by the Act.

The investigator located open sourced copies of the speeches delivered by Thunberg, and reviewed them. The speeches were climate change centric and referenced world leaders, without identifying any political actors.

There is no violation of the Act

#### **Person(s)/Entity(ies) of interest:**

- Greta Thunberg, English, Climate change activist, English
- Various complainants, English

#### **Recommendation:**

- No violation of the Act
- Draft reply on file
- Files 2019-1252-13 and 2019-1252-14 require coordinated response with 2019-1329 Masterfile - Obama
- Conclude each occurrence once complainants are advised.



## File Referral Record

File Number:	2019-1252	Referred By:	Mylène Gigou
Date:	2020-01-08	Referred To:	Yves Côté
Time:	04:08:51 PM		

## Necessary Action:

Commissioner,

before proceeding with the updated response to complainants, your approval is nonetheless required with the recommendation.

Mylène

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Date:	2020-01-08	Referred To:	Yves Côté
Time:	04:08:51 PM		

**Necessary Action:**

Commissioner,

before proceeding with the updated response to complainants, your approval is nonetheless required with the recommendation.

Mylène

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 which will  
 reflect [REDACTED]  
 comments  
 (see enclosed)

OK

y -

9-1-20

## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	03:32 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by email to Complainant on 2020-01-14
2. PDF copy of the Response placed in the Correspondence folder on the P/drive.
3. File closed = Status 1.



## Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
EC-37846097	EC Connex	10/14/2019 9:37:06 PM

### ECConnex Case

Subject

foreign interference

Topic


Foreign Interference

### Description

Description

I would like to submit a formal complaint about foreign interference in Canada's 2019 Federal Election. Greta Thunberg should not be allowed to campaign during the federal election if she is receiving funds from global environmental groups.

Attachments

1.  EC-37846097.txt      txt      222 Bytes

### Identification

First name

Pas donné/Not given

Last Name

Pas donné/Not given

Phone

(000)000-0000

### Additional details

Created by

Web Form

Created on

2019-10-14 14:54

Modified by

[REDACTED]

Modified on

2019-10-14 21:33

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From: [REDACTED] on 2019-10-14 16:36  
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for eio staff action:  
please draft a response for this complaint, as recommended by legal

## Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-1	Event Date:	2019-10-15 10:45 AM
Date:	2019-10-15	Staff Member:	██████████
Time:	10:48:14 AM		

## Note:

██████████ reviewed this anonymous complaint on foreign interference, which states.

*I would like to submit a formal complaint about foreign interference in Canada's 2019 Federal Election. Greta Thunberg should not be allowed to campaign during the federal election if she is receiving funds from global environmental groups.*

The complaint is similar to 2019-1252 (Master) and as it is anonymous can be concluded.



## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-1	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	03:12 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. No Response as this was an anonymous complaint.
2. File closed = Status 1.



## Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
EDIQVVXF	Complaint Web Form	10/15/2019 11:55:25 PM

### Purpose

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To report a potential offence

### Complaint Type

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Undue influence by foreigners

### Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
Greta Thunberg Swedish national - climate activist

Incident date  
2019-09-27T00:00:00

### Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
Physical Location

Address line 1  
Meeting with Prime Minister Trudeau and climate protest parade

<p>City</p> <p>Montreal</p>
<p>Province/Territory</p> <p>Quebec</p>

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

Greta Thunberg is not a Canadian citizen.

Greta Thunberg's political activities are reportedly sponsored largely by foreign interests.

No link to Greta Thunberg has been found to any authorized third party registered for the 43th Canadian Federal Election.

Greta Thunberg's activities will exceed the maximal limit of \$500 of political spending for unregistered third party activity.

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2019/sep/27/greta-thunberg-justin-trudeau-meeting-climate-strikes>

<https://calgaryherald.com/news/local-news/climate-activist-greta-thunberg-announces-plans-to-visit-alberta>

<https://twitter.com/GretaThunberg/status/1183213199232884736>

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

██████████

First Name

██████

Last Name

██████████

Email address

[REDACTED]
Home Phone [REDACTED]
Address line 1 [REDACTED]
City [REDACTED]
Province/Territory [REDACTED]
Postal Code [REDACTED]
How would you like us to contact you? Email

**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 3:39:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-2

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 15, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-2	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	03:41 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by email to Complainant on 2020-01-14
2. PDF copy of the Response placed in the Correspondence folder on the P/drive.
3. File closed = Status 1.



## Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
4EE1ZYKQ	Complaint Web Form	10/16/2019 9:30:08 PM

### Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
To report a potential offence

### Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
Undue influence by foreigners

### Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
Pre-election period 2019

Who is your complaint about?  
A political party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
Liberal Party of Canada, Greta Thunberg

Incident date  
2019-10-18T12:00:00

### Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
Physical Location

Address line 1  
10440 Jasper Ave NW



City Edmonton
Province/Territory Alberta
Postal Code T5J 1Z3




## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

The Liberal Party and Justin Trudeau are allowing the most famous climate alarmist/activist to stage an incendiary rally in the heart of oil and gas country 3 days before Election Day, knowing that it will sway votes toward the Liberal Party. The Liberals and Justin Trudeau are allowing foreign interference with our election by allowing/inviting a foreign actor into the country during the height of pre-election to campaign for one of their party's key platforms. The subject of Thunberg's campaign (Climate Change), the overwhelming reach of her influence and fame, and the timing (as she could have participated on "Fridays for Future" any week following Election Day), show that this stunt is absolutely election fraud and meddling by foreign parties.

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you? [REDACTED]
First Name [REDACTED]
Last Name [REDACTED]
Email address [REDACTED]
Home Phone


Province/Territory 
Postal Code 
How would you like us to contact you? Email

**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 3:45:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-3

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 16, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-3	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	03:47 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

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3. File closed = Status 1.



## Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
GJYNZ7LH	Complaint Web Form	10/16/2019 8:23:03 PM

### Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
To report a potential offence

### Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.

Other

### Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?

October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?

A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)

Climate activist Greta Thunberg of Sweden is being sponsored by foreign entities to promote and encourage the elimination of the Canadian energy industry. This is a clear case of foreign entities interfering with a Canadian election. She showed up in downtown Calgary on Wednesday and is planning to join a climate strike at the Alberta Legislature in Edmonton on Friday.

Incident date

2019-10-16T12:00:00

### Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?

Physical Location

Address line 1

Downtown Calgary on Wednesday

Address line 2

She is planning to join a climate strike at the Alberta Legislature in Edmonton on Friday.

City

Calgary and Edmonton

Province/Territory

Alberta

Postal Code

T5A 5A4

Description

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[//www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/greta-thunberg-alberta-visit-climate-activist-teen-1.5322884](http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/greta-thunberg-alberta-visit-climate-activist-teen-1.5322884)

Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

Prefer not to say

First Name

████

Last Name

██████

Email address

████████████████████

Home Phone

[REDACTED]

Address line 1

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Email



**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 3:51:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-4

Dear [REDACTED]:

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-4	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	03:52 PM		

## Note:

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## STEPS:

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## CCE Intake

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NJE3WFLT	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-18 01:06PM

### Purpose

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 To report a potential offence

### Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

### Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
 A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 Greta Thunberg and all associated with her political influence.

Incident date  
 2019-10-18T00:00:00

### Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Other

Please specify other locations  
 ALL OVER THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA AS WELL AS IN OTTAWA

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

Greta Thunberg is politicking on behalf of the Green Party and that is clear interference in our Electoral Process. She has not revealed who funded her trip here nor how much money is being spent to disenfranchise my vote.

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Email address

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

Address line 1

[REDACTED]

Address line 2

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Email

**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 3:57:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-5

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 18, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-5	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	03:59 PM		

## Note:

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## STEPS:

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3. File closed = Status 1.





# CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
EU9R4A2G	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-18 04:16PM

## Purpose

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 To report a potential offence

## Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

## Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
 A candidate

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 Prime Minister Justin Trudeau Liberal  
 Greta Thunberg

Incident date  
 2019-09-27T11:00:00

## Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Physical Location

Address line 1

a montreal hotel

City

montreal

Province/Territory

Quebec

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

I am writing to inquire about a possible case of Foreign Inference during the 43rd Canadian Election. This interference is one that is between Liberal Member of Parliament, and Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Climate Activist, Greta Thunberg.

On Friday, September 27th, 2019, Greta Thunberg came to Montreal, Quebec, and met with Mr. Trudeau. There was a discussion on climate – and the “climate crisis” and lack of action Canada and Mr. Trudeau is taking.

Should this meeting have taken place during a formal United Nations meeting or outside the election period, it would not be an issue; however, given that this is a policy that all major parties have a difference in opinion with our current Prime Minister, this meeting should not have occurred. Ms. Thunberg is an activist; her followings and actions are shaping the world platform. The United Nations have invited her and listened to her – it is because of her role and influence, Mr. Trudeau should not have had a televised and open meeting.

Has Ms. Thurnberg registered as a third party?

This interaction is one that changes and shifts the focus of the Canadian election.


My [REDACTED] and I have reached out to our local Elections Canada office – to which this particular scenario has not occurred before.

I am writing to see if Mr. Trudeau knowingly allowed for and engaged in political and foreign interference.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Include any documents or screen captures that you think might be helpful.

- 1.  climate-change\_strike-canada-1-e1569598662744.jpg      jpg 58.34 KB

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Email address

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

Address line 1

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Email







**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 4:02:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-6

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 18, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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Moreover, in adopting section 282.4, Parliament identified certain circumstances that do not constitute "undue influence" for the purposes of the new prohibition. These include:

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-6	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	04:05 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by email to Complainant on 2020-01-14
2. PDF copy of the Response placed in the Correspondence folder on the P/drive.
3. File closed = Status 1.



## CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
WQZ3SFSG	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-18 06:16PM

### Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

### Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

### Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
 A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 Greta Thunberg campaigns in the capital of Canada's oil province, 3 days before an election on Monday to chose her "Friday for Futures" event in Edmonton.

Incident date  
 2019-10-18T10:00:00

### Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Physical Location



<p>Address line 1</p> <p>varios locations</p>
<p>City</p> <p>Edmonton</p>
<p>Province/Territory</p> <p>Alberta</p>

### Description

Use this section to share details with us.

Please investigate where the line is between freedom of speech and freedom of assembly to foreign funded foreigners appearing or leading events ie election interference ?

Who pays for her travel expenses, incl Tesla, meals and hotel?

### Identification

<p>Tell us about yourself. Are you?</p> <p>██████████</p>
<p>First Name</p> <p>██████████</p>
<p>Last Name</p> <p>██████</p>
<p>Email address</p> <p>██</p>
<p>Primary Phone</p> <p>██████████████████</p>
<p>Postal Code</p> <p>██████</p>

How would you like us to contact you?

Email

**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 4:08:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-7

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 18, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-7	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	04:10 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by email to Complainant on 2020-01-14
2. PDF copy of the Response placed in the Correspondence folder on the P/drive.
3. File closed = Status 1.



# CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
5Q491H2W	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-18 07:39PM

## Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

## Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

## Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
 A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 Great Thurnberg visiting Canada and eliciting subsequent climate change protestors three days before a Federal Election, during which, Climate Change is a major issue.

Incident date  
 2019-10-18T12:00:00

## Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Physical Location

Address line 1

10700 97 Avenue
City Edmonton
Province/Territory Alberta

### Description

Use this section to share details with us.

Climate change protestors jostling indigenous people to the front of the protest, pushing out anti-climate change protestors at the provincial legislature. Greta Thurnberg speaking on key Canadian election issue three days before a Canadian federal election. All of these activities are funded by organizations with the mandate to land-lock Canadian oil ( [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] ).

### Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

Prefer not to say

First Name [REDACTED]
Last Name [REDACTED]
Primary Phone [REDACTED]
Postal Code [REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

I prefer not to be contacted

## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-8	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	03:17 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. No Response provided as the complainant specified "I prefer not to be contacted" in the webform she submitted.
2. File closed = Status 1.



# CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
2KDLGAZ4	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-19 06:45PM

## Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

## Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

## Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
 A candidate

Incident date  
 2019-10-18T00:00:00

## Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Online

Please select the online source  
 Facebook

Provide the links, website (URL), email address, etc.  
 Facebook



## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

We have a child from Sweden trying to sway votes

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Email address

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Email

**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 4:12:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-9

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 19, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-9	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	04:14 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by email to Complainant on 2020-01-14
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3. File closed = Status 1.



# CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
OM7MVWTE	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-20 02:24AM

## Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

## Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Foreign funds

## Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
 A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 Greta Thunberg

Incident date  
 2019-09-27T00:00:00

## Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Other

Please specify other locations  
 Montreal then Edmonton Alberta on October 19 2019

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

16 year old from another country, sent by who knows who, allowed to create protests during our federal election on election platform issues, directly capable of swaying votes. Why is she not charged with interference and the money behind her visits not followed up.

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

Address line 1

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Mail

COMMISSAIRE AUX ÉLECTIONS FÉDÉRALES



COMMISSIONER OF CANADA ELECTIONS

January 17, 2019

Our File # 2019-1252-10



Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 20, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-10	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-17		
Time:	01:35 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by regular mail to Complainant on 2020-01-17
2. PDF copy of the Response placed in the Correspondence folder on the P/drive.
3. File closed = Status 1.





## CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
1RM3XO1R	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-20 09:52AM

### Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

### Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

### Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
 A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 GRETA de Sweden

Incident date  
 2019-10-17T00:00:00

### Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Other

Please specify other locations  
 All thé marches, média coverage and Her physical présence in différent provinces has

played à rôle in thé élections..... Why was she allowed to be here without registering?

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

I disagree with thé média coverage given during our fédéral élections campaign on a key issue by Greta and her tram.... and they did not register as a third party. I would like you To fin d out who financed her expenses here too.

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

Secondary Phone

[REDACTED]

Address line 1

[REDACTED]

Address line 2

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code



How would you like us to contact you?

Mail

COMMISSAIRE AUX ÉLECTIONS FÉDÉRALES



COMMISSIONER OF CANADA ELECTIONS

January 17, 2020

Our File # 2019-1252-11



Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 20, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-11	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-17		
Time:	01:38 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by regular mail to Complainant on 2020-01-17
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## CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
GZB0ZX1G	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-21 11:08AM

### Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

### Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

### Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
 A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 My concern is with the foreign influence Greta Thunberg and her guardians have had on the current election. After reading 331 of the Canada Elections Act and considering the timing of the Climate Rally in Edmonton, and the fact that this issue to which she is speaking is a key election issue, I believe that Greta's speech is having influence on how people vote on October 21st.

Incident date  
 2019-10-18T13:00:00

### Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?

Physical Location

Address line 1

Alberta Legislature

City

EDMONTON

Province/Territory

Alberta

Description

Use this section to share details with us.

My concern is with the foreign influence Greta Thunberg and her guardians have had on the current election. After reading 331 of the Canada Elections Act and considering the timing of the Climate Rally in Edmonton, and the fact that this issue to which she is speaking is a key election issue, I believe that Greta's speech is having influence on how people vote on October 21st.

Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[Redacted]

First Name

[Redacted]

Last Name

[Redacted]

Email address

[Redacted]

Primary Phone

[Redacted]



Address line 1

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Email

**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 4:17:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-12

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 21, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-12	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	04:18 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by email to Complainant on 2020-01-14
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3. File closed = Status 1.



# CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
B6IFMEA2	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-28 11:52AM

## Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?

To ask a question

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

elections Canada i thought there was to be no outside interference in our election.why is it that mouth piece greta shows up,and obama has a kissy session with obama right before our election???i also thought candidates could not promote themselves at the polling stations,so why was [REDACTED] allowed to do just that in [REDACTED] riding?the liberals are as crooked as they have ever been...i want to know from elections Canada why you never did or said anything?is elections Canada right along side with the paid of media in Canada?

[REDACTED]

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]




First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Email address


Primary Phone 
Postal Code 
How would you like us to contact you? Email

**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-28-20 3:51:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-15

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 28, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change and a tweet from Barack Obama endorsing Justin Trudeau during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-13	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-28		
Time:	03:56 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by email to Complainant on 2020-01-28
2. PDF copy of the Response placed in the Correspondence folder on the P/drive.
3. File closed = Status 1.



# CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
9IHPJ51T	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-29 12:26AM

## Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

## Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

## Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 Pre-election period 2019

Who is your complaint about?  
 A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 Greta Thunberg and parents.  
 Former USA President Obama

Incident date  
 2019-10-17T00:00:00

## Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Other

Please specify other locations



Greta Thunberg at rally in Edmonton Alberta

Obama online tweet

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

This is so wrong to have foreigners interfere with our election. Especially a former USA president.

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Email address

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

Address line 1

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Email

**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 4:29:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-14

Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated October 29, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-14	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-15		
Time:	11:39 AM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by email to Complainant on 2020-01-14
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3. File closed = Status 1.



## CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
G68EG98L	Complaint Web Form	2019-10-28 02:33PM

### Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

### Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Foreign funds

### Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 Pre-election period 2019

Who is your complaint about?  
 A candidate

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 Justin Trudeau LPC and Greta Thunberg Swedish Climate Change activist

Incident date  
 2019-09-27T00:00:00

### Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Physical Location

Address line 1  
 Montreal

<p>City</p> <p>Montreal</p>
<p>Province/Territory</p> <p>Quebec</p>

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

The visit by Greta and meeting with her by Justin Trudeau in Montreal constitutes foreign interference as expenses were incurred by Greta and by Justin Trudeau to go meet with her. His travel and other expenses to meet her were still being financed by the Canadian taxpayers as he did so on or about period Sep 27 to Sep 29, 2019. News reports clearly prove that he allowed foreign interference

Include any documents or screen captures that you think might be helpful.

-  Screenshot (1340).png png 142.54 KB

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Email address

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Email

About 460,000 results (0.61 seconds)

**Greta Thunberg after meeting Trudeau in Montreal - National ...**  
<https://nationalpost.com> > News > Canada  
 Sep 27, 2019 - Canada's Prime Minister Justin **Trudeau** greets Swedish **climate** change teen activist **Greta Thunberg** before a **climate** strike **march** in **Montreal**, ...

**Greta Thunberg meets Trudeau, tells him he's not doing ... - CBC**  
<https://www.cbc.ca> > news > politics > trudeau-greta-thunberg-climate-cha...  
 Sep 27, 2019 - Swedish **climate** activist **Greta Thunberg** told Liberal Leader Justin ... that Liberal Leader Justin **Trudeau** is **marching** in **Montreal's** **climate** rally.

**500000 in Montreal climate march led by Greta Thunberg**  
<https://montrealgazette.com> > news > local-news > live-coverage-greta-thunb...  
 Sep 29, 2019 - As it happened - 500,000 in **Montreal** **climate** **march** led by Greta ..... Prime Minister Justin **Trudeau** says he has thanked **Greta Thunberg** for ...

**Trudeau meets Greta Thunberg before climate march in ...**  
<https://globalnews.ca> > video > trudeau-meets-greta-thunberg-before-clima...  
 Sep 27, 2019 - Millions of people around the globe took to the streets on Friday, demanding world leaders urgently take action on **climate** change. In **Montreal** ...

**Greta Thunberg tells hundreds of thousands at Montreal**



**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 4:32:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-15

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-15	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	04:34 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by email to Complainant on 2020-01-14
2. PDF copy of the Response placed in the Correspondence folder on the P/drive.
3. File closed = Status 1.



# CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
DQXNOADB	Complaint Web Form	2019-11-05 10:16PM

## Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

## Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

## Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 Pre-election period 2019

Who is your complaint about?  
 A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 Greta Thunberg (Swedish climate change activists)

Incident date  
 2019-09-27T00:00:00

## Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Physical Location

Address line 1  
 Montreal

<p>City</p> <p>Montreal</p>
<p>Province/Territory</p> <p>Quebec</p>


## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

Greta Thunberg (Swedish climate change activists) has been engaging in election interference, specifically, her march in Montreal, Qc which involved Justin Trudeau is an act of promotion. Her funding, coming from sources unknown, she is not a declared third party political advertiser ... I hope you will be investigating.

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?



<p>First Name</p> <p>a concerned party</p>
<p>Last Name</p> <p>a concerned party</p>
<p>Primary Phone</p> <p>(000) 000-0000</p>
<p>Postal Code</p> <p>H0H 0H0</p>

How would you like us to contact you?

I prefer not to be contacted

## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-16	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	03:18 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. No Response as this was an anonymous complaint.
2. File closed = Status 1.



# CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
WXE0VHE9	Complaint Web Form	2019-11-09 02:42AM

## Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
 To report a potential offence

## Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
 Undue influence by foreigners

## Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
 October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
 A third party

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)  
 Greta thunburg

## Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
 Physical Location

Address line 1  
 Canada

City  
 Edmonton

Province/Territory

Alberta

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

She is a Swedish national preaching about climate change directly affecting our electoral decisions

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Telephone

COMMISSAIRE AUX ÉLECTIONS FÉDÉRALES



COMMISSIONER OF CANADA ELECTIONS

January 17, 2020

Our File # 2019-1252-17



Dear [REDACTED]:

Thank you for your correspondence dated November 9, 2019, concerning the participation of Greta Thunberg at events in Canada promoting action on climate change that occurred during the election period for the 43<sup>rd</sup> general election.

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-17	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-17		
Time:	01:33 PM		

## Note:

Approval to close this file was provided by the Commissioner in writing (OK Y - 9-1-20) on a File Referral Record dated 2020-01-08 in the MASTER FILE 2019-1252.

## STEPS:

1. Response sent by regular mail to Complainant on 2020-01-17
2. PDF copy of the Response placed in the Correspondence folder on the P/drive.
3. File closed = Status 1.



## CCE Intake

Reference Number	Import Source	Received Date
DQ8ZQM13	Complaint Web Form	2019-11-19 04:13PM

### Purpose

Why are you contacting us today?  
To report a potential offence

### Complaint Type

Please select the subject of your question or complaint.  
Undue influence by foreigners

### Complaint Subject

Which federal electoral event is your complaint related to?  
October 21, 2019 General Election

Who is your complaint about?  
Unknown or prefer not to say

Please provide names and/or political affiliations (if applicable)

Incident date  
2019-09-27T12:00:00

### Incident Location

Where did the incident occur?  
Other

Please specify other locations  
Various locations throughout Canada, including Montreal, Vancouver and Edmonton.

## Description

Use this section to share details with us.

Greta Thunberg, a Swedish citizen, came to Canada during our election period to campaign on an election issue - climate change. Our various federal parties held different positions on actions related to climate change, including the carbon tax, building the pipeline, the Paris Accord, etc.

This was not merely a matter of her publishing an article with her opinion. Huge money was spent for her and her team to travel around Canada campaigning, during our election.

## Identification

Tell us about yourself. Are you?

[REDACTED]

First Name

[REDACTED]

Last Name

[REDACTED]

Email address

[REDACTED]

Primary Phone

[REDACTED]

City

[REDACTED]

Province/Territory

[REDACTED]

Postal Code

[REDACTED]

How would you like us to contact you?

Email

**From:** INFO\_CEF\_CCE  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Response from OCCE  
**Date:** January-14-20 4:44:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Our File # 2019-1252-18

Dear [REDACTED]:

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## Status Note Log Entry

File Number:	2019-1252-18	Staff Member:	██████████
Date:	2020-01-14		
Time:	04:46 PM		

## Note:

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## STEPS:

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