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Hon. David Collenette Minister of Defence 121-E Centre Block House of Commons OTTAWA K1A 0A6

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Dear David

It has been two years since the Canadian Forces began to accept openly gay and lesbian members. I would be interested to know how many openly gay or lesbian men and women there are in the Canadian Forces and how many have been recruited since the policy on sexual orientation was changed. Further, what anti-discrimination programs do you have in place and do they protect gay and lesbian members on the basis of their sexual orientation? What programs do you have to let Canadians, particularly those interested in joining the Forces, know that the CF welcomes gay, lesbian and bisexual recruits.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely yours.

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