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Dear Councillor El-Chantiry:

I am writing in response to your letter, addressed to my predecessor, the Honourable Tony Clement, regarding your support for 20 MHz of the 700 MHz spectrum to be designated for broadband public safety use. The Office of the Prime Minister also forwarded to me a copy of your letter on the same subject.

As you are aware, in November 2010, Industry Canada initiated a public consultation on this spectrum, Notice No. SMSE-018-10, *Consultation on a Policy and Technical Framework for the 700 MHz Band and Aspects Related to Commercial Mobile Spectrum*. I note that your letter presents the same view as the majority of the public safety respondents in the consultation, and I appreciated receiving your comments on this matter. Rest assured that the Department will take into account the comments submitted when making decisions regarding the use of the 700 MHz spectrum.

For more information on the consultation paper, comments received and reply comments, I invite you to visit Industry Canada's Spectrum Management and Telecommunications website at [www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf09949.html](http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf09949.html).

Thank you for sharing the views of the Ottawa Police Services Board, and please accept my best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

The Honourable Christian Paradis, P.C., M.P.

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