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Marianne Hladun Regional Executive Vice-President Prairies Public Service Alliance of Canada 460-175 Hargrave St. Winnipeg, MB R3C 3R8

Dear Ms. Hladun,

Thank you for your invitation dated December 9, 2016, inviting me to attend the Community Forum in Vegreville, Alberta this past weekend to discuss the decision to relocate the workload from the Case Processing Centre (CPC) in Vegreville to Edmonton. I apologize for the delay in responding.

We are committed to ensuring that the transition from Vegreville to Edmonton be as least disruptive as possible to the employees of the Processing Centre and their families as possible. All current IRCC indeterminate employees will have the opportunity to continue their employment in their current positions once the office is relocated to Edmonton. Term employees at the time of the move will also be offered employment at the new office. The department has held, and will continue to hold, workshops to explain the relocation process to employees and will continue to work closely with staff throughout the transition period.

I regret that I was unable to attend the Forum this weekend, as I was attending a Memorial Service at the Coptic Orthodox Archdiocese of Toronto for the terrorist attack that took place on December 11, 2016 inside the St. Peter Church in Cairo, Egypt. I will be meeting with the local Member of Parliament, Ms. Shannon Stubbs, in the New Year to discuss the relocation of the Case Processing Centre and listen her concerns directly. Should you, or another representative from the Public Service Alliance of Canada, wish to discuss the relocation with me or a member of my team please contact my office at Minister@cic.gc.ca.

Yours Sincerely,

John McCallum, P.C., M.P.

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