

November 3, 2014

Mr. Wayne Smith Chief Statistician of Canada Statistics Canada 100 Tunney's Pasture Driveway Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0T6 Canada

Re: Cuts to Statistics Canada

Dear Mr. Smith,

The Canadian Library Association (CLA), the national voice of Canada's library communities, and is gravely concerned about the cuts to Statistics Canada. Enclosed you will find a copy of the CLA's statement regarding cuts to Statistics Canada. The CLA urges the government to return Statistics Canada to its status as one of the world's most respected National Statistical agencies by restoring its funding and the long-form census.

I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet with you to discuss this issue further. To schedule a meeting, please have your assistant contact Kalene DeBaeremaeker at (613) 233-8906. In the meantime, should you have any immediate questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (613) 232-9625 x.306 or <u>vmckay@cla.ca</u>.

Thank you for the consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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Valoree McKay, CAE Executive Director

CC: The Hon. James Moore, Minister of Industry

