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The Honourable Tony Clement
President of the Treasury Board and
Minister for the Federal Economic Development Initiative for Northern Ontario
Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat
L'Esplanade Laurier, 9th Floor, East Tower
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Dear Minister,

Re: Association of Justice Counsel

I had written you on June 1st, 2011 to request a meeting. Since then, you have engaged directly with PSAC, and are on record as committing to sit down with the rest of the union leadership in the public service. We say: the sooner, the better.

A nation-wide poll published in the Globe and Mail today shows that Canadians rank law and order above all other long-term priorities: <http://www.nanosresearch.com/library/polls/POLNAT-S11-T485E.pdf>

This survey shows the impact of recent court decisions staying mega-trials involving guns, gangs and drugs. Canadians depend on safe communities, and need a justice system that is strong, not plagued by delays where violent criminals walk free due to insufficient resources.

We trust you agree, and that these shared principles will both encourage and permit you to meet with us in the very short term.

Yours truly,

Marco Mendicino
President