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Mr. Emmanuel Dubourg, M.P. Chair Standing Committee on Official Languages House of Commons Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Chair:

On behalf of the House of Commons Administration, I would like to thank the Standing Committee on Official Languages for giving me the opportunity to appear before it, accompanied by senior officials, to address its study on the challenges of the parliamentary interpretation service in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

At its meeting of February 2, 2021, the committee requested additional information, which we are pleased to provide in the attached document. This document also includes information on the results of the tests conducted last summer to assess the quality of the audio equipment used by Members, interpreters and others who participate in Chamber and committee proceedings.

Should the committee have any questions, as always, my team and I would be pleased to assist in any way.

Sincerely,

**Charles Robert** 

Clerk of the House of Commons

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