



Mr. Kelly McCauley
Chair
Standing Committee on Government Operations and Estimates
Sixth Floor, 131 Queen Street
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. McCauley:

Pursuant to the motion passed by the committee on May 6, 2022, Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC) is pleased to provide the second progress report, as of mid-December 2022, regarding current National Shipbuilding Strategy and air defence procurement projects, in both official languages. This report contains information compiled by PSPC in collaboration with client departments, and has been prepared to provide the committee with an update on the status of each project previously reported on, within the context of PSPC's responsibilities.

PSPC's mandate is to be a strategic partner to federal departments and agencies in the achievement of their mandated objectives as central purchasing agent. Specifically, with respect to defence and marine procurement, PSPC acquires defence goods and services, such as ships, aircraft and supporting services on behalf of client departments, which include the Department of National Defence and the Canadian Coast Guard. In turn, client departments are responsible for defining their requirements, conducting equipment cost/options analyses, obtaining government policy approval, and managing projects and budgets.

We trust that committee members will find the report useful.

Regards,

Lorenzo Ieraci
Assistant Deputy Minister
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Enclosures