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Mr. Frederick Ding

UNITED STATES

July 31, 2015

Référence:

Dear Mr. Frederick Ding:

We are writing to request information to update the International Register of Electors. This request is a result of a July 20, 2015, ruling by the Ontario Court of Appeal, which took effect immediately.

The court ruling reinstated two criteria that must be met by electors residing abroad who want to vote by special mail-in ballot:

- They must intend to return to Canada to reside, and
- They must have resided abroad for less than <u>five consecutive years</u>, or provide proof that they are exempt from the five-year limit. Electors are exempt from the five-year limit if they are:
  - employed outside Canada in the federal public administration or the public service of a province; or
  - employed outside Canada by an international organization of which Canada is a member and to which Canada contributes; or
  - living with an elector employed as described above, or with a member of the Canadian Forces posted outside Canada, or with a person employed outside Canada by the Canadian Forces as a teacher or as administrative support staff in a Canadian Forces school.

## To receive a special ballot at the upcoming election, you must provide:

• The month and year you plan to return to Canada to reside

## Important deadline:

Please provide the requested information as soon as possible, but <u>no later than</u>
<u>September 12, 2015</u>. If we do not receive it by that date, your name will be removed from the international register and we will not automatically send you a special ballot at the upcoming election.

When the election is called, we will only send you a special ballot if and when we receive the requested information.

## **How to submit your information:**

By fax:

1-613-998-8393 from anywhere in the world

1-800-363-4796 toll-free in Canada and the United States

By mail:

**Elections Canada** 

440 Coventry Road

P.O. Box 9830 Station T Ottawa, ON, K1G 5W7

Canada

By e-mail:

SVRENQ@elections.ca

Please note that Elections Canada does not offer a secure network for e-

mail transmissions.

By phone:

613-949-7502 (collect calls are accepted)

1-866-222-2565 toll-free in Canada and the United States

001-800-514-6868 toll-free in Mexico

TTY 1-800-361-8935 toll-free in Canada and the United States

**Questions?** 

Contact us at the coordinates above.

Thank you in advance for your prompt response.

Sincerely,

Paul Legault

Special Voting Rules Administrator

**Elections Canada** 

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This letter may have also been sent by e-mail. If you have recently provided the requested information, please disregard this letter.