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Ms. Sandra Finley 656 Saskatchewan Cres East Saskatoon SK S7N 0L1

Dear Ms. Finley:

I am writing as a follow-up to your correspondence of July 13, 2012 with regard to the matter you brought to the attention of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada. You allege that Statistics Canada (SC) contravened the Collection provisions of the *Privacy Act*. Specifically, you complain that SC uses coercion, intimidation and actual lies during 'surveys' to force Canadians to supply information that is personal and protected by the Charter.

Based on the information you provided, a complaint file has been opened and it has been assigned to me. I have notified SC of the details of your complaint and asked for its representations in the matter.

Under subsection 33(2) of the *Act*, you have the right to make further representations to the Privacy Commissioner before a finding is made in this matter. What this simply means is that you may, at any time prior to the completion of this investigation, provide to me any additional information or comments which you feel are relevant to your complaint.

I will make every effort to complete the investigation as soon as possible. Should you have any additional information or wish an update on my investigation, please do not hesitate to contact me either in writing or by telephone during normal working hours at 1-800-282-1376.