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Hon. Maryam Monsef  
Minister for the Status of Women  
556 Confederation Building  
House of Commons

Dear Minister Monsef,

Today, I delivered the text below to your colleague, Ms. Gould. Given your experience with her current portfolio, I am providing my letter to M. Gould to you in the hopes that you may be able to assist her with the answers to the questions below should she require it. Some of the answers to the questions below may, at present, be known to you but not to her.

Here is what I wrote to Minister Gould:

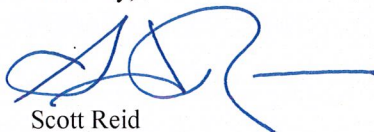
*I write today to provide you with notice of questions I intend to ask of you, regarding the recently-run MyDemocracy.ca questionnaire, when you make your first appearance before the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs (PROC) on February 7, 2017.*

1. *Did the government exclude from the final MyDemocracy.ca survey, any questions that were included in the November 2016 "field test" for the survey, or that were recommended for inclusion by Vox Pop Labs' academic advisory group?*
2. *If so, what were these questions? And if these question were included in the field test, what were the results of the field test's 4,000-person survey?*
3. *Has the government retained, or has it destroyed the data produced by responses to the field test and the final survey?*
4. *If this data was destroyed, when was this instruction given, and by whom?*
5. *If this data has not yet been destroyed, will you commit to share it with Parliament?*

*The Procedure and House Affairs Committee has passed a motion setting aside two hours for you to meet with us to discuss MyDemocracy.ca. On Friday afternoon last week, committee members were informed that you could give us only one hour of your time tomorrow. So if you are unable to provide full information at tomorrow's meeting (given the tight deadline), please be informed that under the terms of a motion already adopted by the committee, you will be expected to return and provide any information not satisfactorily covered at your first appearance.*

For your information, I have sent a copy of this letter to Minister Gould. I have also made this letter public on my website, and will be distributing copies to members of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs.

Sincerely,



Scott Reid

cc: Hon. Karina Gould, Minister Democratic Institutions