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To whom it may concern

The Parliament of Canada

(Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Technology and Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage)

SUPPLEMENTAL

As noted in a previous message, this response is to the Committees' call for public input to the upcoming Parliamentary review of the Copyright Act, as described at the following URL :
<http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/693.nsf/eng/00188.html>

Within the message that I provided to the Committee previously, I stated the opinion that from the POV of an independent Canadian writer and publisher, "extending 'copyright' terms" would be a very low priority compared to many other more pressing issues impacting the profitability and viability of the Canadian publishing industry.

By coincidence, later the same day, an article appeared in the Toronto *Star* newspaper which neatly summarized these issues; I would recommend that the Committee review the article and note its implications.

The referenced article, entitled *Merger of publishing giants a concern for Canadian writers and readers*, can be found at the following URL :

<https://www.thestar.com/opinion/contributors/2021/02/16/merger-of-publishing-giants-a-concern-for-canadian-writers-and-readers.html>

Cordially yours

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