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Dear Ms. Stockdale:

Thank you for your letter of June 20, 2012, regarding Library and Archives Canada (LAC), including its National Archival Development Program. I appreciate you taking the time to share your organization's concerns with me and have carefully noted your comments.

Please be assured that our Government recognizes the importance of LAC and the many services it provides, as well as the value of preserving Canada's documentary heritage. However, like all other federal organizations, LAC must do its part and contribute to the reduction of the deficit.

As an agency in the Canadian Heritage Portfolio, LAC is responsible for operational decisions under the direction of the Librarian and Archivist of Canada, including those related to Budget 2012. As such, you have already taken the most appropriate course of action by sharing your organization's concerns directly with Dr. Daniel J. Caron, Deputy Head and Librarian and Archivist of Canada.

Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

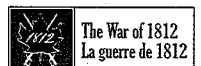
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