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Hon. Francis Scarpaleggia, MP
Speaker of the House of Commons
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Dear Speaker,

I am writing to serve you notice pursuant to Standing Order 52(2) that at the first opportunity later today I will be seeking leave to propose an emergency debate in the House of Commons on the recent deeply concerning actions and statements by the Trump Administration that have grave implications for the sovereignty and security of Canada.

On January 3rd, US President Trump ordered American forces to disregard international law and core principles of national sovereignty by attacking Venezuela, a UN Member State. Following this act, President Trump stated that the US would "run the country," and specifically referenced Venezuela's oil reserves as a prime motivation for this assault.

This aggression was followed by President Trump's announcement of the establishment of a "Donroe Doctrine", considering the entire Western Hemisphere to be within the sole hegemonic control of the United States.

President Trump and senior US Administration officials then expressed their intent to seize Greenland, an internationally recognized territory of Denmark, another UN Member State and, importantly, NATO member. They justified this aggression by referencing Greenland's Arctic proximity, mineral reserves and inadequate defence capacity.

All of these actions and words have direct application to Canada. Indeed, they were graphically depicted in a photo from the Oval Office itself superimposing the U.S. flag over a map of Canada. Many observers from across the political spectrum have publicly identified Canada's vulnerability as a result. It is clear that Canada faces serious economic, political and military threats from the Trump administration.

These actions and statements constitute a new and troubling US approach to security and constitute non-adherence to established norms. They follow repeated and continuing threats made to Canada since Donald Trump became President.

Taken together, these developments have urgent, pressing and profound implications for Canadian security and sovereignty.

The Prime Minister recently addressed world leaders outlining the threat posed by the US administration and the wide-ranging consequences this poses for Canada and the global order.

I believe that it is vital that Members of Parliament be afforded an opportunity to speak to these important matters, which gravely impact our sovereignty, security and place in the world.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Don Davies', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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