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Norm Ryder  
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Dear Norm Ryder:

Thank you for your correspondence regarding Huawei infrastructure installed on TELUS poles, received on February 18, 2018. I appreciate that you have taken the time to apprise my ministry about your concerns surrounding the security of these devices.

The Province recognizes that telephone and cellular connectivity are critical to enabling reliable emergency communications and supporting the delivery of accessible and responsive services that citizens count on. Safe, secure networks are crucial for British Columbians in order to learn, do business, access services, and stay connected to those who matter most.

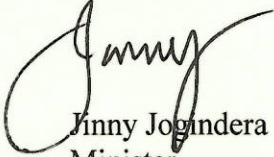
In Canada, telecommunication companies are regulated by the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC). Regarding telecommunication security, the Communications Security Establishment (CSE) monitors this at a national level. I would suggest contacting these two federal organizations to share your feedback. CRTC can be reached at the following link: <https://crtc.gc.ca/eng/contact/> and CSE can be reached at the following link: <https://www.cse-cst.gc.ca/en/about-apropos/contact-contactez>.

You may also wish to contact the Commission for Complaints and Telecom-Television Services (CCTS), which is an independent organisation dedicated to resolving customer complaints about telecommunication services. CCTS can be reached at the following link: <https://www.ccts-cprst.ca/contact-us/>.

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Cyber security is critical to all British Columbians and the Province will continue to follow the federal agencies involved in protecting the information and privacy of all Canadians. I thank you again for writing to me about this important topic. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact Howard Randell, Executive Director, Network BC at 250-415-6867, or by email at [NetworkBC@gov.bc.ca](mailto:NetworkBC@gov.bc.ca).

Sincerely,



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