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Dear Ms. Swanson,

Thank you for taking the time to write to me with your concerns regarding the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA).

The safeguarding of personal privacy has become an increasingly important issue to all Canadians. The government's move to ensure that information is reported to the U.S. through the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) and not directly from banks was a positive step; however, the implications of having the CRA report to a foreign government agency about Canadian citizens are still troublesome. The Liberal Party of Canada believes that the Conservative government's efforts to safeguard the personal privacy of Canadians have been inadequate.

While the United States has the right to target tax evaders using offshore accounts, targeting hard working Canadians who pay taxes is unfair. The Government of Canada has a responsibility to stand up for its citizens when foreign governments are encroaching on their rights. We believe that the deal reached between Canada and the U.S. is insufficient to protect affected Canadians.

Thank you once again for writing to me; I always appreciate it when Canadians take the time to share their concerns with me. It is through such exchanges of ideas and opinions that I can best represent not only my constituents, but all Canadians.

Sincerely,

Justin P. J. Trudeau  
Member of Parliament for Papineau

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