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Mr. Tony Trigiani
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Dear Mr. Trigiani:

Thank you for your correspondence of 15 April 2013 with which you enclosed the final version of the *Never Forgotten National Memorial* presentation booklet for my review.

The Department of National Defence (DND) continues to support the principles of this worthy project, and I am gratified to have been able to provide the assistance of professional historians in the Directorate of History and Heritage with respect to the historical content of the presentation booklet.

Regarding the participation of DND in any proposed commemorative activities, this will necessarily depend on governmental priorities at the time.

Thank you for the time and care you have put into this memorial project. I believe that once the memorial is open, visitors will feel a greater awareness of theatres of Canadian operations around the world and the sacrifices made there. This memorial is an extensive and worthwhile undertaking, and I wish you every success with it.

I have taken the liberty of forwarding your correspondence to the Minister of Veterans Affairs, the Honourable Steven Blaney, who is lead minister for such commemorative activities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter MacKay', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Peter MacKay

c.c. The Honourable Steven Blaney, PC, MP
Minister of Veterans Affairs

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