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Dear Mr. Mooney:

I am replying to your letter of February 3, 2010, addressed to the Honourable Jason Kenney, Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and Multiculturalism, concerning ghost agents and the regulation of immigration consultants.

In addition to the Minister's recent announcement addressing the issue of unscrupulous consultants, the March 3, 2010, Speech from the Throne indicated that the Government of Canada would take steps to shut down unscrupulous immigration consultants in order to better protect would-be immigrants.

Minister Kenney is committed to introducing the necessary legislative changes this spring. While it has taken time to bring forward these changes, he wants to ensure any revisions to our approach are effective and thorough.

Thank you for writing and expressing your concerns.

Sincerely,

S. Duncan
Ministerial Enquiries Division