AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

CANADA

AND THE EUROPEAN UNION ON SECURITY PROCEDURES FOR EXCHANGING AND PROTECTING CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

CANADA

and

the EUROPEAN UNION (the "EU"),

hereinafter referred to as the "Parties",

CONSIDERING that the Parties share the objective of strengthening all aspects of their security;

CONSIDERING that the Parties believe that they should consult and cooperate on matters of common interest;

CONSIDERING that, for these purposes, the Parties need to exchange information that they have designated by a security classification;

RECOGNIZING that the Parties must take appropriate measures to protect the information that they exchange,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1

Definitions

For the purposes of this Agreement:

(a) "classified information" means any information that either Party has designated by a security classification and marked as such and which, if disclosed to unauthorised third parties, could cause varying degrees of damage or harm to the interests of that Party. This information may be in oral, visual, electronic, magnetic, or document form, or in the form of material, equipment or technology and includes reproductions, translations, and material in the process of development;