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Dear Friends

Season's Greetings! I hope you had a joyous holiday with friends and family. Here is a short report on the recent progress of our Hill 70 team.

In early December Sean Murray and I had an opportunity to attend an event at Rideau Hall on behalf of the founding donor, Sir Cyril Woods. We had a good chat with the Project Patron, the Governor General and he was most interested and asked to be updated frequently on our progress to date. He was delighted that our Paris-based architects and engineers are so active and to hear that the land survey is complete and the geomatic survey is underway.



Sean with outrageous tie, David Johnston and your's truly

Thady Murray is focused closely on managing the construction preparations by the Dennishoff-Castro-Turnbull in France and he visited Loos in November. He is currently exhorting the group to perform value engineering to reduce their initial estimates. The benefit of this has been to have the City accept a reorientation of the monument to the north. This had previously been impossible but the City is now entirely in agreement with the change and attempting to reduce our costs. This about face of the monument to