

### ***If contacted by the Canadian Security Intelligence Service***

If you are contacted by a Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS) officer as a member of the Western community, we recommend that you contact the office of the Vice-President (Research) at [vpr@uwo.ca](mailto:vpr@uwo.ca) to let us know of the request.

While you are not obliged to talk to the CSIS officer unless presented with a legal warrant, if you do choose to meet voluntarily with the officer, you can schedule at a time and place of your preference.

CSIS may request a meeting with you because they have questions about some aspect of your activities, or because they are concerned that you could be the target of foreign interference.

Should you choose to meet with a CSIS officer:

- 1) You may request that a member of Western Research join you for the meeting.
- 2) Request contact information or a business card from the CSIS officer and take notes of any conversation.
- 3) Establish why CSIS wants to speak to you.
- 4) If the officer requests an electronic or physical search of any equipment, you can decline, and you should not consent to searches of any equipment purchased with grant or operating funding, as this is the property of Western University. If you receive such requests, please contact our office for advice.