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Mike: Can you reply to this inquiry please

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Attachments: RE: Required TODAY - Please take 5 minutes - Common PNP Performance Indicators

I've already responded to this after checking with program staff & it's consistent (almost identical to Linda's version: Linda was cc'd). See attached.

Ian

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I think you have it nailed Linda.

Cheers
Chris

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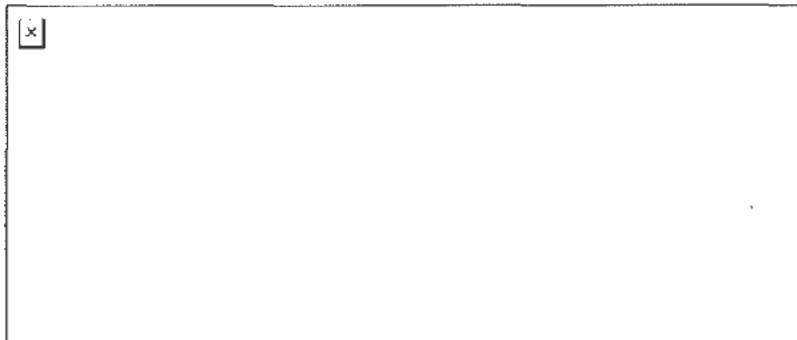
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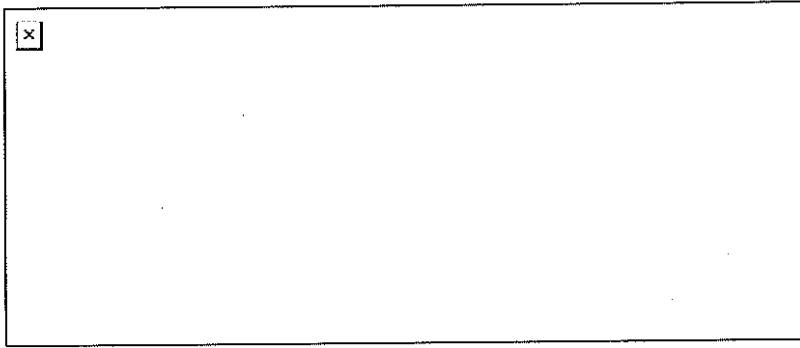
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Apologies Linda – I missed your earlier email. My reply is suspiciously similar to yours, but I didn't plagiarize! Honest.

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Hi All,

Here are my draft of answers for these questions that are due by the end of day today – please review and provide any additional information as soon as possible.

Thanks

1. One of the proposed common indicators is the processing time required to finalize a nomination. PTs may utilize different starting points to calculate processing times (eg., date an application is received (regardless of completeness) or date a complete application is received). **Could each PT indicate the starting point for calculating their processing times, i.e., when does the clock start ticking from your perspective?** This information will enable greater comparability across jurisdictions.

BC starts the calculation on processing times when an application has been received by our office and stamped as received. Completeness check on the application would occur after the date the application is received and would be after the clock starts ticking on processing time.
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BC considers a business 'established' at time of nomination for a Business Application. The applicant would have already received the Work Permit and signed and successfully completed the Performance Agreement. At this time the nomination is approved and the business is considered as established.

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s13, s16

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Sent: Monday, October 6, 2014 9:26 AM

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Cc: Ainsley Standish

Subject: Action Required by tomorrow - Common PNP Performance Indicators

Importance: High

Dear PT Colleagues,

We received a request from CIC Immigration Branch to respond to the three questions below.

Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Purdy, Sheila JTST:EX
Sent: Wednesday, October 8, 2014 5:26 AM
To: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Subject: Re: RUSH: MO REQUEST: PNP Program

Thanks for the quick response, Ian!

Sent from my iPhone

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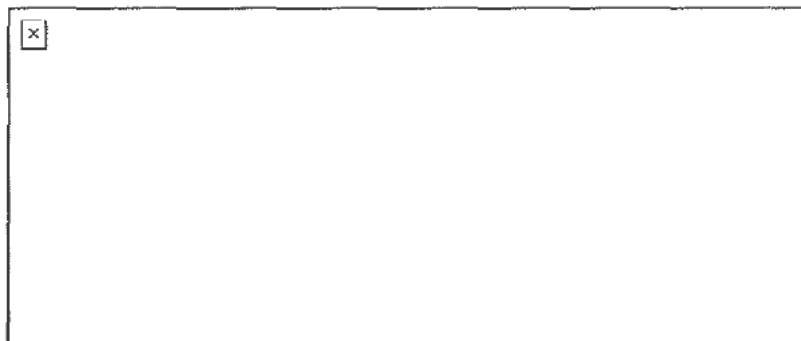
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To: Purdy, Sheila JTST:EX
Cc: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Subject: RE: RUSH: MO REQUEST: PNP Program
Importance: High

Sheila,

Stephanie Bogaert, Program Advisor called Alan Verity this morning regarding his questions on our process and the LMO/LMIA process.

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- He has been told that our current processing time is 8-9 months.
- phone contact information and that of the info line were provided if he needed further information.

No other action needed.

Regards,

Mike

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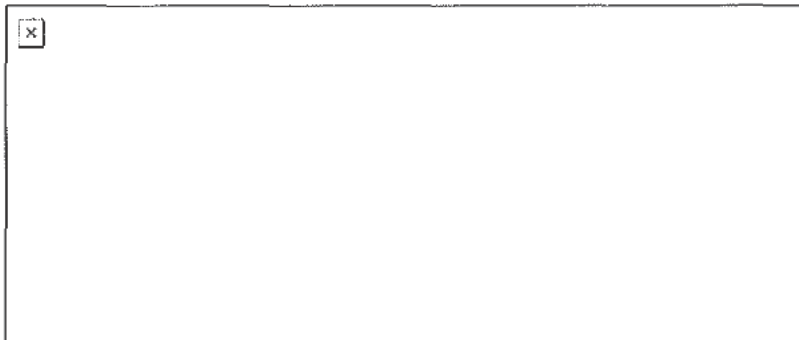
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mike

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Cc: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Subject: AB's inventory

Ian,

FYI . AB now has 10000 in queue (with 25 month processing time) and it grows by 200 per week. So we are pale by comparison.
s16

Mike

Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Sent: Friday, October 10, 2014 9:37 AM
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Subject: Re: PNP Request for s22

You can send it. s13

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From: Chew, Michael JTST:EX
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Subject: RE: PNP Request for s22

Thanks Ian. On work permits under spousal sponsorship, unless things have changed, it has been my experience that any in-land office can issue it once there is an application submitted and a file number has been issued. It does not take that long.

I spoke to them about the spousal sponsorship option but they don't want to do that, given that he needs to travel out of Canada for his work.

Will you send out the email to Sheila or you want me to ?

Mike

5.37. Work and study permits

Applicants who have been approved against eligibility requirements, and received an approval in principle, may apply for work or study permits pending the outcome of admissibility checks (i.e. medical, security and background checks). Officers are responsible for determining the appropriate duration of work or study permits after considering the factors specific to each case.

5.28. Applicants who leave Canada before a final decision is taken on their application for permanent residence

An applicant's departure from Canada after the application is stamped as received or after assessment of eligibility for membership in the spouse or common-law partner in Canada class may affect their ability to become a permanent resident.

A foreign national becomes a permanent resident, if following an examination, it is established that they meet the selection criteria and other requirements applicable to that class as per R72(1)(d).

Foreign nationals are not provided with any guarantees that they will be allowed to return to or reenter Canada. If they are unable to do so, their application for permanent residence may be refused because they are not cohabiting with their spouse or common-law partner at the time the case is finalized [R72(1)(d) and R124(a)].

It may therefore be appropriate to counsel applicants who are outside Canada to withdraw their spouse or common-law partner in Canada class application and submit a new application for a

permanent resident visa to the CPC-Mississauga (CPC-M).

From: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Sent: Friday, October 10, 2014 8:02 AM
To: Chew, Michael JTST:EX
Subject: Re: PNP Request for s22

Thanks Mike. I've done a bit of pruning to shorten it (see below). My understanding is that if the applicant visits the US and returns to Canada this wouldn't preclude a spousal sponsorship application on his return. I looked into this a bit further and found that a work permit is only issued to the sponsored spouse after CIC has given "approval in principle", which currently takes 11 months. Is that your understanding?

Ian

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Revised Note for MO

I spoke by phone with s22 the nominee applicant, and Victor Holysh, the CFO of Clevest Solutions on Oct 8 regarding a request from the employer for expedited processing of s22 PNP application that we received via the MO on Oct 4. Expedited processing was requested because s22 work permit was to s22 after the date we received his PNP application.

I outlined the PNP application review process, noting that the processing time posted on our website was 9 months at the time this application was submitted and that we are handling thousands of applications; Mr Holysh said he wasn't aware of this.

I explained that we receive numerous requests for expedited processing and, given our limited resources, have to consider the business reasons for doing this, not just the fact that an applicant's work permit may be expiring.

s22 situation is further complicated by the fact he is committed to making a personal trip to the US in the near future; this means he will lose his "implied status" and ability to continue working while the work permit extension application he submitted on Oct 4 s22 is awaiting processing by CIC. I explained this to s22 and he understood that he would not be able to work on his return from the US.

I said that we would review this request and get back to them with an answer on when we can process the application; I will be doing this within the next week. While this issue has arisen from oversights and lack of planning by both parties to the application, we will make every effort to find a timely resolution.

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Kathy Gibson

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Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Sent: Friday, October 10, 2014 2:10 PM
To: 'Kathy Gibson'
Cc: Luney, Aileen M JTST:EX; Chew, Michael JTST:EX; Wood, Linda JTST:EX
Subject: RE: Further to our discussion

Importance: High

Kathy: Thanks for your email. We are acutely aware of this situation & of the negative effects for both nominees and employers. As you know, this was triggered by changes to TFW Program, anticipated and actual, since around April of this year. You are correct that it's a complex and pressing issue, and it's front and centre of our program agenda. We are looking at solutions that will be both effective and fair, and that can be implemented in a timely way, while avoiding knee-jerk responses.

Thanks again for your input.

Regards,

Ian

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Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training
Government of British Columbia
Phone: 604.775.2183

From: Kathy Gibson [<mailto:kgibson@catchyconsulting.com>]
Sent: Friday, October 10, 2014 1:31 PM
To: Luney, Aileen M JTST:EX; Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Subject: Further to our discussion

Hi Aileen & Ian,

This is a portion/piece of the VEC letter that will hopefully be over to PNP & BC policy no later than Mon. In the meantime I wanted to ensure you're aware of this particular issue. We are forecasting that this will become a far more prevalent issue in the future.

This is a more detailed explanation of the area of concern that makes PNP unattractive for landing:

"We are aware anecdotally that employers are facing challenges when arranging to facilitate their foreign worker employees becoming permanent residents and supporting their being authorized to work in the interim. Many employers wish to facilitate permanent residence sooner than the one year period required under the popular Canadian Experience Class category, but did not budget enough time for the PNP to take eight months to process. And with the challenges being faced currently with unpredictable and lengthy LMIA processing times, employers are often wishing to avoid this process when the employee needs to extend their work permit.

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From: Luney, Aileen M JTST:EX
Sent: Wednesday, October 15, 2014 10:34 PM
To: Chew, Michael JTST:EX
Cc: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX; Mingay, Rob JTST:EX; MacDonald, Scott D JTST:EX
Subject: BC PNP NORTHEAST OUTREACH - DAWSON CREEK

Mike,

Please find below a brief report of today's sessions.

Day 2 - Dawson Creek

- PNP, Service Canada and Employment Standards Branch staff held 2 information sessions in Dawson Creek: an afternoon session for employers and an evening session for workers.

- 25 participants attended the employer session, representing retail, food/beverage, accommodation and settlement sectors.

- Key topics of discussion related to PNP: increased processing time, concern about employees' work permit expiring prior to PNP decision resulting in the employee being unable to maintain eligibility for PNP, what to expect with the introduction of Express Entry as it relates to PNP, etc.

- Key topics of discussion related to LMIA/ TFW Programs: general feeling that changes are punitive for this region where unemployment is currently at 4.2%, cap on employer use based on % of workforce, how transition plans are assessed, etc.

- 42 participants attended the worker session representing the retail, accommodation, food/beverage and maintenance sectors.

- Q&As from worker session attendees were related to processing times, what to do when an applicant's work permit is expiring, discretion in applying low income cutoff, assessment of previous experience, what to do if an applicant falls short of the 2 years minimum experience to apply under the Skilled Worker category, etc.

I will send an update on Day 3 results tomorrow night.

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Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Luney, Aileen M JTST:EX
Sent: Wednesday, October 15, 2014 12:26 AM
To: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX; Chew, Michael JTST:EX
Cc: MacDonald, Scott D JTST:EX; Mingay, Rob JTST:EX; Crawford, Kara JTST:EX
Subject: PNP Regional Outreach to Northeast BC: Fort St. John Sessions

Ian/Mike,

Please find below a brief report of today's sessions.

Day 1 - Fort St. John

- PNP and Service Canada staff held 2 information sessions in Fort St. John: an afternoon session for employers and an evening session for workers.
- 31 participants, including MLA Pat Pimm, attended the employer session, representing health, retail, food/beverage, accommodation, construction/trades, economic development and settlement sectors.
- Key topics of discussion related to PNP: the continuation of the North East Pilot Project, increased processing time, concern about employees' work permit expiring prior to PNP decision resulting in the employee being unable to maintain eligibility for PNP, the feasibility of provincial LMIA exemptions.
- Key topics of discussion related to LMIA/ TFW Programs: general feeling that changes are punitive for this region where unemployment is currently at 4.2%, that the changes assume that employers are not exhausting all avenues to find workers, cap on employer use based on % of workforce, seemingly inconsistent application of criteria.
- 27 participants attended the worker session representing the retail, accommodation, food/beverage and trucking sectors.
- Q&As from worker session attendees were related to processing times, what to do when an applicant's work permit is expiring, discretion in applying low income cutoff, assessment of previous experience, how PNP assesses completion of secondary school, etc.

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Thanks,

Aileen

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On 2014-10-14, at 8:27 AM, "Mellor, Ian JTST:EX" <Ian.Mellor@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Aileen: Can you advise ASAP please of capacity of meeting rooms that would limit attendance.

Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Haque, Javed MIT:EX
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2014 5:11 PM
To: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX; Chew, Michael JTST:EX
Subject: RE: s22 - Request for BC PNP support letter

Ian & Mike,

Just as a follow-up from Craig's email, we had a lunch meeting today with DNeg's CEO Matt Holben and some of their key team members.

Nina Cagic (MIT) and Robert Wong of Creative BC were also present from our end. I have mentioned to Mike about DNeg earlier and no doubt DNeg is one of our key clients and is the largest independent VFX house after its recent merger with Prime Focus World.

The role of s22 will be key to their expansion and growth here in BC and they plan to hire upwards of over 200 person in the next one year, so any assistance offered to DNeg and its personnel would be of significant significance. Please let me know if there is anything further you need from our end regarding Craig's request.

Regards,

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From: Craig Natsuhara [mailto:craig.k.natsuhara@ca.ey.com]
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2014 3:53 PM
To: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX; Chew, Michael JTST:EX
Cc: s22 Jennifer Moon; Haque, Javed MIT:EX
Subject: s22 - Request for BC PNP support letter

Dear Ian and Michael,

Hope you had a good weekend.

I have been asked by s22 and her prospective new employer, Double Negative Canada Productions Limited ("Dneg Vancouver"), to respectfully request a BC PNP support letter so that she can tender her resignation with her current employer, s22 and apply for a new work permit at a border port of entry as s22 for Dneg Vancouver. I am copying both s22 and Ms. Jennifer Moon from Double Negative in London, UK who s22 and attach representative forms from both. We attach the permanent employment agreement for your reference, which has been accepted by s22 as well as the job description for s22 position.

s22 is unfortunately not eligible for a bridging open work permit based on her pending permanent residence application because her current work permit is valid until May 2016, while the bridging open work permit category requires there to be four months or less on the current work permit. Dneg Vancouver had considered an LMIA for s22 but with the uncertainty surrounding LMIA processing, including the processing time as well as the requisite four week advertising, we are hoping that she can apply for a new work permit as a provincial nominee.

As the news has been explaining (including a news release accessible at http://www.dneg.com/dneg_vfx/dneg-vancouver-appointment-and-new-show-announced/), Dneg Vancouver has started to recruit so that it can establish the personnel to work with the London and Singapore studios as well as standalone. It is anticipated to become one of the largest visual effects studios in BC. s22 will be essential for ensuring an effective start up by the new subsidiary studio. I am copying Mr. Javed Hacque, so he is aware of the progress Dneg Vancouver is making and can confirm or add anything regarding the substantial opportunities the studio represents for the province.

We realize that the BC PNP does not encourage nominees to change employers while their permanent residence application is in process. This is an exceptional opportunity for s22 and Dneg Vancouver is expecting to benefit significantly from her experience and local insight about the Vancouver community. If you could accommodate this request, it would be greatly appreciative. It will most certainly benefit the province to provide Dneg Vancouver with the best chance of establishing a strong Vancouver studio.

As Dneg Vancouver is hoping that s22 can start with the company soon, we are hoping to receive the BC PNP support letter as soon as practicable. Would it be possible to issue the letter this week?

I would be happy to discuss this further by telephone if you prefer.

Best regards,

EGAN

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Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Mason, Jordan A JTST:EX
Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 5:48 PM
To: Mingay, Rob JTST:EX
Cc: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Subject: RE: REQUEST from Town of QB re: PNP

I appreciate Rob!

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We will be back to you tomorrow.

Rob Mingay
Assistant Deputy Minister, Workforce Development, Ministry of Jobs Tourism and Skills Training
Mobile: s17

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From: Cummins, Shari [<mailto:Shari.Cummins@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 10:45 AM
To: Mason, Jordan A JTST:EX
Subject: FW: REQUEST from Town of QB re: PNP

Hi Jordan,

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Thanks,

Shari

From: Daniel Sailland [<mailto:DSailland@qualicumbeach.com>]
Sent: October 22, 2014 9:34 AM
To: Stilwell.MLA, Michelle
Cc: Cummins, Shari
Subject: Requesting help with the PNP process

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- BC PNP Director, Strategic Occupation, Michael Chew 604 660-2215

Thanks Michelle, I appreciate your time on this matter.

Daniel Sailland
CAO-Town of Qualicum Beach

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Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

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Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 5:37 PM
To: Mason, Jordan A JTST:EX
Cc: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Subject: Re: REQUEST from Town of QB re: PNP

Thanks. I think. These are coming fast and furious.

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Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Steven Meurrens [Steven.Meurrens@larlee.com]
Sent: Friday, October 24, 2014 11:18 AM
To: Chew, Michael JTST:EX
Cc: Mumtaz Khan, MKCO (khan@mkco.ca); Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Subject: Follow up to Voicemail

Mr. Chew,

I'm just following-up on my voicemail. I understand that Ian Mellor is out of the office until November 3rd and his voicemail says that we should direct all enquiries to you.

I'm going to be presenting with Ian at the CAPIC National Conference at the start of November on the subject of the PNP.

When our firm has previously sat on panels with the BC PNP (usually with Erin Seeley) we have typically sent a list of questions in advance to save everyone the headache of a FOI request.

I was wondering if you could kindly provide us with answers to the following statistical information:

Strategic Occupations

1. How many applications in the queue:
 - a. Skilled Workers
 - b. International Graduates
 - c. Entry-Level Semi Skilled
 - d. Post-Graduate
2. Approval rate in each category listed above
3. Number of nomination certificates issued in each category in 2014 YTD
4. Whether the North East Pilot Project is ending in 2015
5. Processing time estimate in each category
6. What happens when more applications are received than the BC PNP has quota for
7. Number of nomination revocations
8. Number of employer site visits in 2014

Business Stream

1. How many applications filed:
 - a. Business
 - b. Regional
 - c. Projects
 - d. Succession Plan Buy-outs
2. Approval rate in each category listed above
3. Number of nomination certificates issued
4. Number of work permit support letters issued
5. Time estimate from application filing to interview at the beginning of the year and current for business, regional and fast track
6. Time estimate from application filing to interview for Succession Plan Buy-outs
7. Number of nomination revocations

Thanks so much. If there is another person at the BC PNP who I should be speaking with about this please let me know.

Cheers,

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Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Sent: Sunday, October 26, 2014 12:02 PM
To: Mingay, Rob JTST:EX
Subject: Re: PNP s13

Calling now

Ian

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From: Mingay, Rob JTST:EX
Sent: Sunday, October 26, 2014 7:01 PM
To: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Cc: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Subject: Re: PNP s13

Standing by.

Rob Mingay
Assistant Deputy Minister, Workforce Development, Ministry of Jobs Tourism and Skills Training
Mobile: s17

On Oct 26, 2014, at 10:04 AM, Mellor, Ian JTST:EX <Ian.Mellor@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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From: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Sent: Sunday, October 26, 2014 4:51 PM
To: Mingay, Rob JTST:EX
Cc: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Subject: Re: PNP s13

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From: Mingay, Rob JTST:EX
Sent: Sunday, October 26, 2014 3:50 PM
To: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Cc: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Subject: Re: PNP

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On Oct 26, 2014, at 5:01 AM, Mellor, Ian JTST:EX <Ian.Mellor@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Rob: Here are some thoughts on this for our discussion later today.

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Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Poon, SP JTST:EX
Sent: Monday, October 27, 2014 2:18 PM
To: 'Ni Fang'
Cc: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX; Whibley, David JTST:EX; Kennedy, Gordon JTST:EX; Kim, Michael C JTST:EX
Subject: RE: BCPNP update as announced by a immigration company in China

Hello Tina:

As discussed on phone, I am forwarding your message to Ian
Ian your concerns after his return.

s22

You can follow up with

Thanks
SP

From: Ni Fang [mailto:s22]
Sent: Monday, October 27, 2014 12:57 PM
To: Poon, SP JTST:EX
Subject: BCPNP update

Hi SP:

How are you doing?
from an immigration company.

s22

I want to share with the info I received today

http://mp.weixin.qq.com/s?__biz=MjM5NjQwOTQ0MA==&mid=200905804&idx=3&sn=83fd383fla9ce2d34df9735d68575a54&scene=1&from=groupmessage&isappinstalled=0#rd

I'm wondering if the info is accurate? And specifically I had telecom with Ian Mellor and Scott McDonald in July and the numbers Ian gave me was different.

1) in this msg, BCPNP currently have more than 800 cases in backlog, however, in my conversation with Ian, my note was:

Since implemented in July 2012, 428 RBSO cases were processed, (53 in 2012, 222 in 2013, 178 in 2014, I'm not sure if these are cases received or processed).

I'm wondering if BCPNP currently does have such a huge backlog?

2) The msg says BCPNP currently processes about **250 cases** a year, and may take up to 2 years to process?

looks like the number kinda matches the number Ian gave me for 2013, but the processing time listed on your website for RBSO is 9-12 months, should we expect further delays?

We just had to extend whole bunch of offers for our clients and it was really hard to re-negotiate an extension, many sellers want further non-refundable deposit to grand the extension. it is unfair for clients to bear the consequence of the uncertainty of the processing time, delays and risks.

3) I also heard from my clients from China that many agencies were telling them it is impossible to get approval if it is small investment such as \$200,000 to \$400,000 range for RBSO. Only over million dollar investment will be approved now.

I'm wondering if this is true? As I doubt the accuracy of this information, s22
s22 But things can be different since then, I'm yet to get another interview because of the delay of the process.

I have left you a voicemail on the phone, I have several other matters to discuss, such as s22 and new BCPNP program I heard you guys are launching soon, please give me a call back at s22
s22

Best Regards,

Tina Ryan (Ni Fang R.C.I.C.; C.C.I.C.)

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Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 10:45 AM
To: Mingay, Rob JTST:EX
Cc: Whibley, David JTST:EX; Kim, Michael C JTST:EX
Subject: Re: Processing times for PNP

Agree. We'll ensure these points are communicated to staff and incorporated into messaging to clients, stakeholders and the public.

Ian

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From: Mingay, Rob JTST:EX
Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 4:26 PM
To: Whibley, David JTST:EX; Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Subject: FW: Processing times for PNP

See the email from Scott. We have to get messaging in place that we are on course to meet the 2014 quota from CIC. It's a nuance but an important one.

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From: MacDonald, Scott D JTST:EX
Sent: Monday, October 27, 2014 3:51 PM
To: Mingay, Rob JTST:EX
Subject: FW: Processing times for PNP

Staff have posted this on the website:

Our current processing time for Skills Immigration applications is 8 – 9 months

Need messaging that we are on track for 4150...as discussed this morning

From: Abigail Fulton [<mailto:Abigailf@bccassn.com>]
Sent: Monday, October 27, 2014 3:31 PM
To: MacDonald, Scott D JTST:EX
Subject: Processing times for PNP

Just so you don't think I made it up please note the processing time for nomination on the link below. It used to be more like 8 – 10 weeks. Anyway I am happy to hear that the backlog is being sorted out. Thanks!

<http://www.welcomebc.ca/Immigrate/About-the-BC-PNP/About-the-BC-PNP/Processing-Times.aspx>

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Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Lal, Jina JTST:EX
Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 2:45 PM
To: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Cc: Whibley, David JTST:EX; Kim, Michael C JTST:EX; Grewal, Lily JTST:EX
Subject: CAPIC National Conference Nov 8th Remote Attendance

Hi Ian: Are you able to take the lead on this presentation? Below are the details.

Date: Saturday November 8, 2014
Time: 8:10am – 10:10am Calgary time

Below are list of questions that have been requested. Michael Kim is looking into the setup of the conferencing.

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Anything I can assist with let me know. Thanks Jina

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Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2014 9:10 AM
To: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Subject: RE: website processing time msg

Will do.

Dave

From: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 2:17 PM
To: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Cc: Grewal, Lily JTST:EX; Luney, Aileen M JTST:EX
Subject: Fw: website processing time msg

Dave: Please review in context of Rob's direction on this.

Ian

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From: Grewal, Lily JTST:EX <Lily.Grewal@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 9:06 PM
To: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX; Whibley, David JTST:EX
Cc: Luney, Aileen M JTST:EX
Subject: website processing time msg

Hi Ian,

I wanted to flag for you that some work was done regarding updating the wording of the processing time webpage. Attached is a copy of what Aileen circulated. I know that there is work currently being done on this and wanted to provide this as a possible resource.

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From: Luney, Aileen M JTST:EX
Sent: Friday, October 10, 2014 2:49 PM
To: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX; Chew, Michael JTST:EX; Wood, Linda JTST:EX; Whibley, David JTST:EX; Taylor, Christopher

JTST:EX; Kim, Michael C JTST:EX; Kennedy, Gordon JTST:EX

Subject: SCRIPT FOR PNP VOICEMAIL MESSAGE / WEBSITE CONTENT RE. PROCESSING TIMES

Further to our mgmt meeting, please find attached 2 drafts for your review. I have modeled our message after Alberta PNP.

Script for PNP Voicemail message << File: PNP INFO LINE PHONE SCRIPT.docx >> (saved under G:\PNP\STRATEGIC OCCUPATIONS\Administrative\Intake Officer\PNP INFO LINE PHONE SCRIPT.docx)

Messaging re. Processing Times << File: BC PNP processing times - Oct 9 2014.docx >> (saved under G:\PNP\OFFICE\2. Marketing\WelcomeBC.ca\PNP Management\Content Revisions\BC PNP processing times - Oct 9 2014.docx)

Your thoughts/comments/suggestions are welcome.

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Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2014 12:41 PM
To: Leung, Janette JTST:EX; Lee, Samuel J JTST:EX
Cc: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Subject: BC PNP Presentation

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Thanks team.

Linda

From: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2014 12:29 PM
To: Wood, Linda JTST:EX
Subject: FW: BC PNP Presentation

Hi Linda,

Could you please see if we can put together some numbers for the questions below?

Thanks.
Dave

From: Steven Meurrens [<mailto:Steven.Meurrens@larlee.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2014 11:18 AM
To: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Cc: Mellor, Ian JTST:EX
Subject: Re: BC PNP Presentation

David,

Pursuant to our phone conversation, I understand that Ian Mellor is out of the office until November 3rd and his out of office says that we should direct all enquiries to you.

I'm going to be presenting with Ian at the CAPIC National Conference at the start of November on the subject of the PNP.

When our firm has previously sat on panels with the BC PNP (usually with Erin Seeley) we have typically sent a list of questions in advance.

I was wondering if you could kindly provide us with answers to the following statistical information:

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Thanks so much. If there is another person at the BC PNP who I should be speaking with about this please let me know.

Sincerely,

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1441

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To: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Subject: Fw: BC PNP Presentation

Dave:

Suggest providing totals for the SI data in the table.

I'm pretty sure most of the BI data requested can be extracted from the BI database; in some cases we may need to provide something close, eg time from application receipt to WP decision rather than to interview, and RBSO and other BI applications in inventory as of Sep 30/Oct 15 rather than full breakdown as of Oct 27.

BTW, Rob is aware that I'm participating in this session.

Ian

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From: Wood, Linda JTST:EX <Linda.Wood@gov.bc.ca>
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To: Whibley, David JTST:EX
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To: Whibley, David JTST:EX
Cc: Mingay, Rob JTST:EX
Subject: FW: CLIFF Referral 106772 - Comments/Advice
Importance: High

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Thanks David

From: Kim, Michael C JTST:EX
Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2014 4:05 PM
To: White, Sunny JTST:EX
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Michael

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- BC PNP is experiencing unprecedented number of applications in the last couple of years which far out-strips our processing capacity. As a result, application processing time is increased for all applications.

The MLA's office should forward the signed Consent to Release Information form by s22 before being provided with this information.

Thanks,
Michael

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Reddy, Arthi JTST:EX" <Arthi.Reddy@gov.bc.ca>
Date: October 29, 2014 at 3:50:12 PM PDT
To: "White, Sunny JTST:EX" <Sunny.White@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: CLIFF Referral 106772 - Comments/Advice

Hi Sunny,

From the Minister's Office:

To confirm, this would not be an update on the constituent referred to in the letter. But a response to MLA Corrigan's request for an update on the backlog of the PNP.

We do not want to release any personal information in the letter.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!

From: JTSTL.Correspondence@gov.bc.ca [<mailto:JTSTL.Correspondence@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 3:38 PM
To: White, Sunny JTST:EX
Cc: Santoso, Patricia JTST:EX
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Importance: High

2014/10/28T15:36 LRIOUX Sent to WDD-ADM for Comments/Advice. CB to prepare response, please provide necessary info or name of subject matter expert.

Mellor, Ian JTST:EX

From: Kim, Michael C JTST:EX
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 4:23 PM
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Subject: RE: CLIFF Referral 106772 - Comments/Advice
Attachments: Background.doc

Dave,

Please review the attached.

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Thanks,
Michael

From: Whibley, David JTST:EX
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Mike,

Could you forward to me what you have put together by this late afternoon if possible? It's due tomorrow. If we need more time I'll ask for an extension.

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Dave

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Rob,

For BI, I think most of these points are covered in the draft 3-year operating plan including a plan to address the current over-supply issue.

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We can put together a summary from the plan for response to MLA Corrigan.

Thanks,
Michael

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I am ok. Further suggestions: Our increased demand/over supply is almost totally because of the Federal Government. We are meeting our targets. Changes at CIC has increased demand. Even if we could process faster the quota is set and we can't go over it.

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Dave: I don't recollect us having provided a response to an MLA about the oversupply of Business applications - previous inquiries have all involved individual applications.

My suggestion for a response:

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Rob: Are you ok with this messaging?

Ian

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Do we have a template for responding to MLAs regarding our business backlog? I can put a response together, but thought that we may have developed a template or standard response to these requests.

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- BC PNP is experiencing unprecedented number of applications in the last couple of years which far out-strips our processing capacity. As a result, application processing time is increased for all applications.

The MLA's office should forward the signed Consent to Release Information form by s22 before being provided with this information.

Thanks,
Michael

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