

ARCS: 292-30 File: MIT-2014-00101

November 24, 2014

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Sent via email:

Dear

Re: Request for Access to Records Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of International Trade (Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism). Your request is for:

In regard to the announcement of September 25 and news release about the opening of a Guangdong trade office in BC: The Event Proposal including Event, Visual Message(s), Written Message(s), Rollout, Media Plan, Strategic Communications, Media Relations, Q&As and Event Information/Speaking Notes; Records about the scheduling of the news release and news conference, the creation of quotes contained in the news release and other content; and the list of those who were invited and who attended the event, including their names and affiliations. Date range is September 1, 2014 to September 26, 2014.

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body) and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. Copies of these sections of FOIPPA are provided for your reference. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165_00

Your file is now closed.

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Mailing Address: PO Box 9569 Stn Prov Govt Victoria BC V8W 9K1

Website: <u>www.gov.bc.ca/freedomofinformation</u> Telephone: 250-387-1321 Fax: 250-387-9843 These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of 72 hours after electronic release or a minimum of five business days after release by mail in hardcopy. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: <u>http://www.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/ibc/index.page</u>

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Mark Kewley, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250-356-7966. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604-660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1-800-663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 250-356-7966.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

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Mark Kewley Business and Infrastructure Team Information Access Operations

Enclosures

How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt 4th Floor, 947 Fort Street Victoria BC V8W 9A4 Telephone 250-387-5629 Fax 250-387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

- 1. A copy of your original request;
- 2. A copy of our response; and
- 3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.