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File: MIT-2017-71726

August 2, 2017

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.
Your request is for:

Copies of Briefing Notes as referenced by Cliff numbers 17171, 17173, 17172, 17098, 17129.
(Date Range for Record Search: From 03/01/2017 to 03/31/2017)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to sections: 13 (Policy advice or recommendations), 16 (Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations or negotiations), 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body) and 21 (Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party) 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

The Ministry has advised that briefing notes 17171, 17173, and 17172 as requested are not briefing notes, however were still considered responsive as they were deemed "Advice to the Minister". As such, the first part of the attached records package includes a 'Summary of MOUs', a 'Summary of Companies set up in Vancouver through MIT', and a 'Summary of HQ Vancouver Accomplishments' followed by the remaining two briefing notes associated to CLIFF numbers 17098 and 17129.

Your file is now closed.

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These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of five business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Tara MacNair, the analyst assigned to your request, at 778 698-2331. 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 778 698-2331.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Talalaeva", followed by a horizontal line.

Dinara Talalaeva (on behalf of Tara MacNair)
Business and Infrastructure Team, Information Access Operations

Enclosures

<p>How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner</p>
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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.