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**Subject:** Re: Point Roberts Vaccinations - perhaps I could be of some assistance?  
**Sent:** 05/04/2021 04:09:48  
**Message**  
**Body:**

Thanks Silas.

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On May 3, 2021, at 8:44 PM, Brownsey, Silas IGRS:EX wrote:

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Sent from my iPhone

On May 3, 2021, at 7:42 PM, Henry, Bonnie HLTH:EX wrote:

I have no insight into whether this is legit or not or whether we should pursue. I would appreciate your advice.

My best,

bonnie

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I gratefully acknowledge that I live and work on the traditional unceded territory of the Lekwungen Peoples, specifically the Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations. Hay'sxw'qu Si'em

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From: s.22

Sent: May 3, 2021 6:48 PM

To: Henry, Bonnie HLTH:EX ; Prov Hlth Office HLTH:EX ; Lavoie, Martin HLTH:EX ; Minister, HLTH HLTH:EX ; OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX

Subject: Point Roberts Vaccinations - perhaps I could be of some assistance?

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Dear Dr. Henry:

I am the one who first contacted Point Roberts's Fire Chief, Christopher Carleton, on April 14th, to urge him to contact his local Congressman, Senators, and Washington's governor with the goal of setting up a large vaccination center right across the border to vaccinate US citizens and Canadians living in Canada. We discussed this via emails (see below) and phone conversations where I presented suggestions on how this might be done. He did this several weeks later. Perhaps I could also be of further assistance to you in facilitating this process?

When President Biden informed Prime Minister Trudeau that the US would not be shipping vaccines to Canada in early March, I realized that President Biden had a problem. He could not ship vaccines to one country without other countries complaining that they should get them instead. Also, the perception would be bad for him if he was seen as shipping vaccines out of the country if some US citizens could still not get them.

Hence I wrote a letter to the White House (and others, see copy of fax at end of this email) on March 4th saying that there were about 1 million US citizens living in Canada (Many of whom are eligible to vote in US presidential elections), and the US needed to help vaccinate them (and also Canadians due to the strong ties between our countries). I was pleased when I saw several weeks later that the US promised 1.5 million doses of vaccine to Canada.

I then realized that if we could not bring vaccines to Canada fast enough, then we should try to bring Canadians to the vaccines in the US. The US is already vaccinating Canadian citizens in Florida, Arizona, and other states with no problems. Same with vaccinations done in Point Roberts, which being in the US, avoids the US actually shipping vaccines to Canada (and all the political issues that raises).

Hence I contacted the Point Roberts Fire Chief to suggest that we work on getting approval to set up a vast vaccination clinic right at the border where Canadians could just drive in, get a 15 minute Covid test, and if negative, get vaccinated (and then just turn around and go back across the border, or if allowed, could also visit Point Roberts restaurants and shops – hence the Point Roberts community would also benefit from this too) - see emails below. 2 weeks later he sent out his letter (attached) to local politicians and Cc it to the press making this proposal official.

As I noted in my fax below, s.22

If I can be of any further assistance in this matter, please let me know.

Sincerely,

s.22

From: s.22

Sent: Wednesday, April 14, 2021 11:44 AM

To: Christopher Carleton

Subject: Re: Coved vaccine

Hi Christopher:

Thank you for your reply. I wrote this email for a friend s.22 who is s.22 hence high risk. She is looking today into if she drives to Point Roberts, will she need to be quarantine when she goes back to Canada s.22 s.22 s.22 Been unable to get vaccine in Canada yet. Do you know what the rules are for her driving back into Canada from Point Roberts?

BTW, I read that Point Roberts had very few cases of Covid, is landlocked, and that the businesses in Point Roberts are suffering because the border is closed.

I have a suggestion that would help Point Roberts businesses while helping save the lives of a lot of other Americans in Canada and other Canadians.

1) In early March, I wrote a letter to the White House Cc to others per the attached letter saying that there were over 1 million US Citizens living in Canada with no or little access to Covid vaccines. Since President Biden has said that the US will have a surplus supply soon to give every American the vaccine if they want it, I suggested that these surplus vaccines be given to US citizens living in Canada followed by Canadian citizens as supply allows. I do not know if my letter had any effect, but 2 weeks later President Biden announced that he would be giving Canada 1.5 million doses of the vaccine.

2) It occurs to me that Point Roberts, being landlocked but still part of the US is in a perfect situation to do this. You could ask your congressman and governor to send you more vaccines so you can carry out the humanitarian mission of vaccinating US citizens living in Canada (and BC). Everything would be done by appointment only so you would be able to control the number of people, the vaccine site would be right across the border in Point Roberts. Since you are landlocked, the White House would be able to easily get Trudeau to raise any border restrictions between Point Roberts and the US, and people going to Point Roberts can get a 15 minute quick Covid test in Point Roberts while waiting for their vaccine, and if negative, they can then go shopping or to a restaurant in Point Roberts before going back to Canada – maybe even give them a coupon/advertisement to do so.

3) You could send a copy of my letter to your congressman and governor as it was already sent to the White House, the premier of BC, and Trudeau. This gives you a reason to say that Point Roberts wants to do this and help save the lives of US citizens living in Canada using extra Pfizer and Moderna vaccines. Then as supplies increase, you can also give vaccines to other Canadians in BC. They will all come back for their 2nd shot and do more shopping and eating out in Point Roberts. This would also bring a lot of press and funding to Point Roberts.

Any you will save a lot of Americans and Canadians from dying.

What do you think?

Sincerely,

s.22

----- Original Message -----

Subject: Re: Coved vaccine - last comment

From: 's.22' >

Date: Wed, April 14, 2021 11:54 am

To: "Christopher Carleton" >

Hi Christopher:

I should mention that the reason this works is that there is no sending vaccines to Canada or to any other country which is a political problem for the White House.

Right now some states are vaccinating any Americans, even those that are non-residents or Canadian snowbirds. You would be doing exactly the same. The Americans in Canada and others would have to drive across the border to US territory (you) and they are then legally allowed to get vaccinated just like other states are currently doing today. You just need to get extra vaccines, which should be easy as you would be helping solve a political problem for the White House – how to vaccinate US citizens living in Canada without sending vaccines to Canada. Note that US citizens living in Canada vote in US presidential elections, and there are about a million of them in Canada, a lot of votes.

As I noted in my fax below,

Thanks

s.22

From: Christopher Carleton

Sent: Wednesday, April 14, 2021 1:36 PM

To: s.22

Subject: RE: Coved vaccine - last comment

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Please give me a call at your convenience.

Christopher Carleton

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From: s.22

Sent: Thursday, April 15, 2021 12:07 AM

To: Christopher Carleton

Subject: Re: Coved vaccine - last comment

Hi Christopher

Hope you are doing well.

Just saw this in the Washington Post tonight saying US could have 300 million extra doses of vaccine by end of July:

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/2021/04/15/united-states-vaccine-sharing/>

Cheers

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From: s.22

Sent: Wednesday, April 21, 2021 9:56 PM

To: Christopher Carleton

Subject: US vaccine supply is already starting to exceed demand

Hi Christopher

Hope you are having a great time s.22

Here is another article in the Washington Post today about how vaccine supply is already starting to be greater than demand in the US.

Should make it much easier to get approval for the plan we talked about.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/health/2021/04/21/vaccinations-downturn-jj-pause-soft-demand/>

Cheers

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To: s.22

Subject: [FWD: Point Roberts Fire Chief International Vaccination Cooperative British Columbia]

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Subject: Point Roberts Fire Chief International Vaccination Cooperative  
British Columbia

From: "Christopher Carleton" >

Date: Wed, April 28, 2021 4:51 pm

To: "Rep. DelBene" >, "Rep. Shewmake"

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Please see the attached letter.

Sincerely,

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Letter Sent Via Fax March 4th

Jeff Zients, Coordinator of the US COVID-19 Response and Counselor to the President

Natalie Quillian, Deputy Coordinator of the US COVID-19 Response

March 4, 2021

Re: 1 million Americans plus dependents in Canada who are mostly unvaccinated

Dear Mr. Zients and Ms. Quillian:

There are approximately 1 million Americans living in Canada (many whom vote in US elections) plus their Canadian spouses and family members. Most of them have not yet been able to be vaccinated, not even with one dose, as Canada has been unable to get sufficient supplies of Covid-19 vaccines to do so. Most Americans living in Canada are originally from California, New York, and other states.

President Biden just announced that all adults in the U.S. should be able to be vaccinated by the end of May. Hence, it is likely that the vaccine supply in the US will exceed demand by the end of April or soon after, as many people will be either difficult to reach or are hesitant about getting vaccinated. Thus it will take time to get everyone in the US to be vaccinated. Since there will be excess vaccines available in the US during this time, I was wondering if it would then be possible for the US to ship sufficient doses of vaccine to Canada, especially to British Columbia, to vaccinate Americans living in Canada, their spouses, and their Canadian family members?

After this, it would also make sense to then provide vaccines, as supplies allows, to other Canadians as this would benefit both Canada and the US, two countries that have a long history of cooperating and working together.

Also, the Biden administration has issued a report that cited shortages of lipid nanoparticles among “urgent gaps” in the supply chain. Acuitas Therapeutics, located in Vancouver, BC, Canada, invented and holds the patent for the lipid nanoparticles used in the Pfizer vaccine. Thus perhaps the British Columbia, US, and Canadian governments could form a partnership to ensure a guaranteed supply of lipid nanoparticles and vaccines for both countries in the future. We really do not know yet when this pandemic will truly end, or if new vaccines and lipid nanoparticles will be needed to be developed in order to be able to end the pandemic.

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Sincerely

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CC:

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