From: Fraser, Scott IRR:EX

To: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Dick, Jolleen IRR:EX

Subject: Fwd: Press Theatre request

Date: Thursday, November 30, 2017 11:40:31 AM

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### Begin forwarded message:

From: "Hagglund, Jarrett GCPE:EX" < <u>Jarrett.Hagglund@gov.bc.ca</u>>

Date: November 30, 2017 at 11:27:43 AM PST

To: "Fraser, Scott IRR:EX" < Scott.Fraser@gov.bc.ca>

Cc: "Devereux, Rick GCPE:EX" < Rick.Devereux@gov.bc.ca>

**Subject: RE: Press Theatre request** 

Jarrett

From: Hagglund, Jarrett GCPE:EX

Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2017 11:27 AM

To: Fraser, Scott IRR:EX
Cc: Devereux, Rick GCPE:EX
Subject: Press Theatre request

Hi Scott,

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If you can confirm the theatre is available and pass on the call in details when you have them it would be greatly appreciated. Thanks so much!

Jarret

Jarrett Hagglund | Manager, Event Services Government Communications and Public Engagement 604-817-1458 | <u>Jarrett.Hagglund@gov.bc.ca</u> From: Fraser, Scott

To: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX
Subject: Fwd: invitation to speak

Date: Tuesday, November 28, 2017 12:05:53 PM

# Sent from my iPhone

# Begin forwarded message:

From: "Edwards, Patty" < Patty. Edwards@leg.bc.ca> Date: November 28, 2017 at 12:02:43 PM PST

To: "Fraser, Scott" s.17 Subject: invitation to speak

## Good morning Scott:

Just touching base to see if you were able to connect with the NTC President about speaking at the Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> Protocal signing?

Marcie said that she had made a connection regarding the poverty reduction work that the Alberni Clayoquot Health Network has been doing.

We are having our next Planning Meeting on December 1 so please let me know if you were successful or you want us to manage the invitation.

Cheers, Patty

Patty Edwards | Constituency Assistant office of Scott Fraser, MLA
Mid Island-Pacific Rim
250-720-4515 | 1-866-870-4190

From: Fraser, Scott IRR:EX
To: Caul, Doug D IRR:EX

Cc: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Scott, Douglas S IRR:EX
Subject: Re: Substitute ELUC Chair for joint IRR/FLNR Item
Date: Saturday, November 18, 2017 9:33:56 AM

Thanks Doug, Travel well!

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 18, 2017, at 8:29 AM, Caul, Doug D IRR:EX < Doug.Caul@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hi Minister - it looks like you will hand it off to another ELUC member to momentarily chair for the \$1.12,\$13

s.22

so Doug Scott will be there to support you.

Have a good weekend.

Dc

Doug Caul Deputy Minister Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Finkel, Paul PREM:EX" < Paul.Finkel@gov.bc.ca>

Date: November 17, 2017 at 2:52:12 PM PST

To: "Caul, Doug D IRR:EX" < Doug.Caul@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Substitute ELUC Chair for joint IRR/FLNR Item

Hi Doug, I double-checked and for the s.12, s.13

s.12,s.13 protocol would be for MSF to ask another member of ELUC to serve as Chair while the sub is discussed. I'll mention this to MSF at the start of ELUC, unless you happen to be speaking with Minister before then and can let him know. It's very informal, Minister can just ask for a volunteer at the meeting – no advanced brief required.

**Thanks** 

Paul Finkel¦Cabinet Operations Room 049| 617 Government St. | Victoria, BC | V8W 9V1 250.387.0728 From: Fraser, Scott
To: Kang, Anne

Cc: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Wood, Jessica IRR:EX
Subject: Re: National Indigenous Peoples Day
Date: Thursday, November 9, 2017 9:55:57 AM

Thanks Anne, I appreciate this and will get back to you

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 8, 2017, at 2:58 PM, Kang, Anne < A.Kang@leg.bc.ca > wrote:

Hi Scott,

Happy Wednesday afternoon!

I am forwarding you this email as I think it is right up your ally. I wanted to ask what your response would be to this writer. Should I just say politely thank him/her for the idea or "I have forwarded your request to the minister", or something else?

Warm regards, Anne

From: | s.22

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2017 9:10 PM

To: Kang.MLA, Anne < Anne.Kang.MLA@leg.bc.ca>

**Subject:** National Indigenous Peoples Day

As you may be aware, the Province of British Columbia currently enjoys five nationwide and five provincial paid statutory holidays. While most British Columbians enjoy these ten paid statutory holidays, there is a growing consensus that they deserve at least one more such statutory holiday.

British Columbia's wineries and breweries have long lobbied for the creation of at least one more statutory holiday to be created during the summer months - in an effort to promote the travel and tourist industry.

I believe that it would be appropriate to establish National Indigenous Peoples Day as a new provincial statutory holiday to be celebrated annually on June 21 in the Province of British Columbia - to recognize and celebrate the cultures and contributions of the First Nations, Inuit and Métis Indigenous peoples in Canada.

National Indigenous Peoples Day is now part of a series of Celebrate Canada

days, beginning with National Indigenous Peoples Day and followed by the National Holiday of Quebec on 24 June, Canadian Multiculturalism Day on 27 June, and concluding with Canada Day on 1 July.

In 2001, members of the 14th Legislative Assembly passed the National Aboriginal Day Act making the Northwest Territories the first jurisdiction in Canada to recognize this day as a formal statutory holiday.

The establishment of National Indigenous Peoples Day as a new provincial statutory holiday would also have the net benefit of reducing British Columbia's carbon footprint, owing to the fact that most vehicles would be off the road on that day. Furthermore, an additional provincial statutory holiday would positively contribute to the reduction of British Columbian's high level of daily stress and the promotion of their health and well being. It would also have a net benefit to the provincial economy - as the travel and tourism industry in particular would benefit enormously from the creation of such a provincial statutory holiday - especially during the summer months.

May I ask if you would be willing to introduce a private member's bill in the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia which establishes National Indigenous Peoples Day as a new provincial statutory holiday annually on June 21, advocate with your colleagues to support such legislation, and then ask the Speaker of your chamber to put it to a binding vote as soon as possible?

Best, s.22 Sent from my iPhone

# Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX

From:

Fraser, Scott IRR:EX

Sent:

Friday, November 10, 2017 1:08 PM

To:

Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX

Cc:

Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Wood, Jessica IRR:EX; Dick, Jolleen IRR:EX

Subject:

Re: URGENT Tomorrow Mtg w/Tseshaht

Sounds good Connie, \$.22 Have a great day, Scott

Sent from my iPad

On Nov 10, 2017, at 12:55 PM, Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX < Connie.Roberts@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

s.22

Cheers, Connie

From: Fraser, Scott IRR:EX

Sent: Friday, November 10, 2017 12:45 PM

To: Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX

Cc: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Wood, Jessica IRR:EX; Dick, Jolleen IRR:EX

Subject: Re: URGENT Tomorrow Mtg w/Tseshaht

Thanks Connie, S.22

Scott

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 10, 2017, at 9:06 AM, Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX < Connie.Roberts@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hi Minister,

The attached to documents are now on your iPad for the pre-brief with staff at 2:00 pm.

# Thanks,

Connie Roberts

Administrative Coordinator to the Honourable Scott Fraser Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation Room #323, Parliament Buildings

Victoria, BC

Phone: 250-387-0680

From: Howie, Matthew IRR:EX

Sent: Friday, November 10, 2017 8:22 AM

To: Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX; Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX

Cc: French, Shawna IRR:EX; Root, Danielle IRR:EX; Howie, Matthew IRR:EX

Subject: RE: URGENT Tomorrow Mtg w/Tseshaht

Importance: High

Here's a BN drafted by staff and a letter from Tseshaht to MIRR/FLNR.

Matthew Howie

A/Senior Executive Assistant to Doug Caul, Deputy Minister

Ministry of Indigenous Relations & Reconciliation

Phone: 250-356-1394

From: Howie, Matthew IRR:EX

Sent: Thursday, November 9, 2017 3:42 PM

To: Root, Danielle IRR:EX; Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX; Poland, Peter IRR:EX; Dyck, Heinz

IRR:EX

Cc: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; French, Shawna IRR:EX; Campbell, Kari IRR:EX; Howie,

Matthew IRR:EX

Subject: RE: URGENT Tomorrow Mtg w/Tseshaht

Importance: High

Here are MIRR's, FLNR's, and EDUC's materials from their FNLG meetings with Tseshaht (note that \$.16

Matthew Howie

A/Senior Executive Assistant to Doug Caul, Deputy Minister

Ministry of Indigenous Relations & Reconciliation

Phone: 250-356-1394

From: Root, Danielle IRR:EX

Sent: Thursday, November 9, 2017 2:48 PM

To: Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX; Howie, Matthew IRR:EX; Poland, Peter IRR:EX; Dyck,

Heinz IRR:EX

Cc: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; French, Shawna IRR:EX; Campbell, Kari IRR:EX

Subject: URGENT Tomorrow Mtg w/Tseshaht

Importance: High

Hi-

MSF has a meeting tomorrow with Tseshaht at 2:45 in his constit. office.

<u>MATT/CONNIE</u> – please ensure that Peter and Heinz have the invite to this meeting and that there is a 30 minute pre-brief prior to the meeting.

<u>MATT</u> – please send Connie materials of any FNLG letters MIRR (attached), FLNR and Education. Copying in Kari to help you track them down.

<u>PETER / HEINZ</u> – Please prepare 3-4 bullets on status including the timbersales managers meeting yesterday. Please include key messages.s.13,s.16 s.13,s.16

# Thank you,

# **Danielle Root**

Manager of Executive Services
Deputy Minister's Office / Ministry of Indigenous Relation & Reconciliation
PH: 250-356-0213

- <BN for Tseshaht meeting Nov 2017.pdf>
- <Letter to MIRR and MFLNRO re BCTS.PDF>

To: <u>c 22</u> Subject: Ref. 41962: UNDRIP

Date: Friday, November 17, 2017 3:18:00 PM

s.22

Thank you for your August 6, 2017, email regarding the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP). I appreciate you taking the time to write me about your concerns. The Province's approach to land and resource development is done within the Canadian constitutional and case law framework. The Federal adoption of UNDRIP and subsequent affirmation by British Columbia to implement the UN Declaration will create stronger partnerships between First Nations, our government, the federal government and industry, bring certainty and predictability to the land, create jobs, and support the prosperity of our province.

That being said, we need to ensure First Nations are meaningful partners in projects. Free, prior and informed consent (FPIC) is just one provision of the UN Declaration, and the Province's adoption of the declaration is to take a more progressive approach to involvement of Indigenous peoples. As I have stated on several occasions, UNDRIP is a holistic document, and it's a human rights document, and the Province does not view the FPIC provision as constituting a veto.

There are still circumstances where major projects are being promoted without adequate involvement of Indigenous perspectives and we need to collectively do a better job to address these shortcomings.

British Columbia is committed to fulfilling legal obligations to consult and accommodate Indigenous interests consistent with the Constitution and case law. More broadly, the Province's approach to advancing long-term reconciliation is focused on building respectful government-to-government relationships, and improving opportunities and outcomes for Indigenous people in British Columbia. It is through respectful dialogue that we can improve certainty and increase economic development opportunities for all British Columbians.

Again, thank you for writing.

Scott Fraser

Minister

Office of the Honourable Scott Fraser

Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

To: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Cc: McCarthy, Tom IRR:EX
Subject: Letter from Minister Scott Fraser
Date: Friday, November 3, 2017 12:32:00 PM

Attachments: 42160 - signed .pdf

Good Afternoon,

Attached, please find a letter to \$.22

from Minister Scott Fraser.

The original copy will follow by mail.

Thank you,

Office of the Honourable Scott Fraser

Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

From: Minister, IRR IRR:EX

To: s.22

Cc: Routley.MLA, Douglas G LASS:EX; Krog.MLA, Leonard LASS:EX; \$.22 IannidinardoD@TimberWest.com;

XT:Parcher, Clint FLNR:IN; XT:Milne, Cam FLNR:IN; SJanzen@westernforest.com;

SMcConnell@westernforest.com; Caul, Doug D IRR:EX; Sheldan, Tim FLNR:EX; Wright, Don J. PREM:EX; John

Wesley; Moira Jenkins; OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX; Minister, FLNR FLNR:EX

Subject: Snuneymuxw and Mid-Island Forestry Initiative Date: Tuesday, November 7, 2017 8:18:00 AM

Attachments: 1479956.pdf

#### Good Morning

Please find attached, the response to your incoming dated September 5, 2017.

Regards,

Office of the Honourable Scott Fraser

Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Ph: 250.953.4844 | E: IRR.Minister@gov.bc.ca

From: Douglas White III [mailto:dwhite@snuneymuxw.ca]

Sent: Tuesday, September 5, 2017 11:07 PM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX; Minister, FLNR FLNR:EX; Minister, IRR IRR:EX

Cc: Routley.MLA, Douglas G LASS:EX; Krog.MLA, Leonard LASS:EX; s.22

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SJanzen@westernforest.com; SMcConnell@westernforest.com; Caul, Doug D ABR:EX; Sheldan, Tim

FLNR:EX; Wright, Don J. PREM:EX; John Wesley; Moira Jenkins Subject: 42244 - Snuneymuxw and Mid-Island Forestry Initiative

Dear Premier Horgan and Ministers Donaldson and Fraser,

Please see the attached letter, Mid-Island Regional Forestry Initiative document, and support letters.

Best,

Doug

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To: Takla First Nations (chief@taklafn.ca)

Cc: Robb, Peter L. EMPR:EX; Avila, Amy EMPR:EX; McCarthy, Tom IRR:EX; Minister, EMPR EMPR:EX; Scott, Douglas

S IRR:EX; Toledo, Ricardo M IRR:EX

Subject:Letter from Minister Scott FraserDate:Friday, November 3, 2017 12:03:00 PMAttachments:42530 - signed Takla Lake20171103 (2).pdf

#### Good Afternoon,

Attached, please find a letter to Chief John French from Minister Scott Fraser.

The original copy will follow by mail.

Thank you,

Office of the Honourable Scott Fraser

Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

To: s.22

Cc: O"Donoghue, Eamon G FLNR:EX; Recknell, Geoff IRR:EX

Subject: RE: 42613/231617 - Haisla Nation

Date: Wednesday, November 22, 2017 5:01:00 PM

Attachments: 42613 - signed.pdf

# Good Afternoon,

Attached, please find a letter to Chief Councillor Crystal Smith from Minister Scott Fraser and Minister Doug Donaldson.

Thank you,

Office of the Honourable Scott Fraser

Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

To: "Melanie.Joly@parl.gc.ca"

Subject: 42723 - Response from Minister Fraser
Date: Wednesday, November 22, 2017 5:18:00 PM

Attachments: 42723 - Signed.pdf

# Good Afternoon,

Attached, please find a letter from Minister Scott Fraser to the Honourable Mélanie Joly, P.C, M.P.

Thank you,

Office of the Honourable Scott Fraser

Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

# Ponchet, Kim IRR:EX

From: Minister, IRR IRR:EX

Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2017 9:26 AM

Cc: Minister, FLNR FLNR:EX; Banford, Alexandra R IRR:EX

**Subject:** FNLG Follow-up letter from Minister Fraser to Shuswap Nation Tribal Council

**Attachments:** Shuswap Nation Tribal Council.pdf

**Good Morning** 

Please find attached, your copy of the follow-up letter to the Shuswap Nation Tribal Council.

Regards,

Office of the Honourable Scott Fraser
Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation
Ph: 250.953.4844 | E: IRR.Minister@gov.bc.ca

# Ponchet, Kim IRR:EX

From: Minister, IRR IRR:EX

Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 2:36 PM

**To:** s.22

Cc:OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EXSubject:RE: 42951 - Aboriginal Rights and Title

Ref. 42951

s.22

Dear s.22

Thank you for your email of October 26, 2017, addressed to the Honourable John Horgan, Premier, regarding the topic of Aboriginal rights and title, which has been forwarded to me for response.

I appreciate that you are sharing your perspectives regarding the Haida and Tsilhqot'in court decisions after learning about them in your social studies class. You have asked a number of important questions about improving our approach to working with Indigenous peoples in British Columbia.

The court decisions you cite provide important guidance on addressing Aboriginal rights and title, including clarifying our obligation to consult potentially impacted First Nations on decisions, and to accommodate those Aboriginal interests if necessary.

As part of our commitment to lasting reconciliation with First Nations in British Columbia, the Province will be fully adopting and implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), and the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. When working with First Nations, a collaborative approach will be adopted into discussions and negotiations, which will be grounded in the recognition of rights and title, with case law guiding our way.

As minister, I am responsible for moving forward on the Calls to Action and reviewing policies, programs, and legislation to determine how to bring the principles of the UNDRIP into action in British Columbia. I am committed to making significant progress on the following priorities:

- Work collaboratively and respectfully with First Nations to establish a clear, cross-government vision of reconciliation to guide the adoption of the UNDRIP, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action, and the Tsilhqot'in Supreme Court decision;
- In partnership with First Nations, transform the treaty process so it respects case law and the UNDRIP;
- Support Indigenous communities seeking to revitalize connections to their languages;
- Provide reliable, dedicated funding and support for Friendship Centres; and
- With the Minister of Finance, negotiate with First Nations leadership and communities with respect to expanding opportunities for their share of B.C.'s gaming industry.

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I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your questions and concerns.

Sincerely,

Scott Fraser Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

pc: Honourable John Horgan Premier Premier@gov.bc.ca

From: s.22

Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 9:53 AM

To: OfficeofthePremier, Office PREM:EX; Weaver.MLA, Andrew LASS:EX; Minister, IRR IRR:EX

Subject: 42951 - Aboriginal Rights and Title

# To Whom it May Concern,

My name is \$.22 and I am writing to you as a concerned citizen on the topic of aboriginal rights and title in British Columbia.

I am concerned about this issue after reading about the Haida case (decided in 2002), for my social studies class. The Haida had previously laid claim legally to these lands for over one-hundred years, and of course inhabited them for much longer, however, the BC Government provided a Tree Farm License to a forestry firm in 1961 (later transferred to Weyerhauser Co.) for a portion of land (Block 6) on Haida Gwaii. This went against their Aboriginal rights as well as section 35 of the Canadian Constitution. These actions were taken by the government, however they did not recognize them and the Haida had to take them to court where they then won their case.

After reading about the Haida case I found out about the Tsilhqot'in title claim made in 2014 concerning their traditional hunting, trading and cultivation lands, which had already been proven to have been occupied by them in a 2007 trial of the court of BC. A a young Canadian I am proud the Supreme Court of Canada declared for the first time in Canadian history Aboriginal Title to lands outside of a reserve. It is a major victory, not just for the Tsilhqot'in, but for all Indigenous groups across Canada; however, there was one issue that I saw in both the Tsilhqot'in and Haida cases and part of the reason why I outlined them for you: in both cases, the dispute had to be settled (albeit successfully) by the courts. In both the past and present, the government (in all levels) have made excuses to deny proper recognition of Aboriginal Title to Indigenous groups. How do you use findings in cases like the Haida and Tsilhqot'in to improve negotiations on future issues concerning Aboriginal Title? Do they in any way affect your process when considering corporations for logging or non-residential housing permits, so as improper licensing of indigenous land is not issued again, as it was the with the land on Haida Gwaii in 1961?

I hope you will give my questions some thought, as I believe this is an issue of utmost importance in British Columbia, and Canada as a whole, now more than ever.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely.

s.22