

Falk-Varcoe, Kyle C MIT:EX

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 10:24 AM
To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV / Dec 6th

Got it.

From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 10:03 AM
To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV / Dec 6th

Unfortunately I don't. s.16

Best,

Craig

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 9:58 AM
To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
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From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 9:57 AM
To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV / Dec 6th

Understood – wish I could help ☺

Best,

Craig

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 9:56 AM
To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
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Ok, thanks, thought I'd try ☺

From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 9:52 AM

To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX

Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV / Dec 6th

Hi Angela,

Unfortunately not, since the Ambassador will be wrapping up lunch with the LG in Victoria, catching 2:10pm flight to Vancouver; land at 2:50, realistically 3:30 is the earliest he can do with Minister Wat.

Best,

Craig

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX

Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 9:46 AM

To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX

Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV / Dec 6th

Hi Craig, would it be possible to move this meeting again and start it at 2:45pm instead of 3:30pm on December 6th, please advise?

Thanks,

angela

From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX

Sent: Friday, November 25, 2016 9:43 AM

To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX

Cc: Tan, Alyson MIT:EX; Yap, Joyce MIT:EX; Shatzko, Pam J MIT:EX

Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV / Dec 6th

Understood and agreed, thank you Angela.

Best,

Craig

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX

Sent: Friday, November 25, 2016 9:37 AM

To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX

Cc: Tan, Alyson MIT:EX; Yap, Joyce MIT:EX; Shatzko, Pam J MIT:EX

Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV / Dec 6th

Hi Craig,

As discussed, we'll move this meeting to 3:30pm, my ministry staff will advise who will attend from MIT shortly.

Thanks,

Angela

From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 1:16 PM
To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Subject: Re: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV / Dec 6th

Hi Angela,

I'll have a look at this tomorrow. On the road with another visit today.

Sincerely,

Craig Windrim
Protocol Manager
Province of British Columbia

On Nov 22, 2016, at 10:33 AM, Jones, Angela MIT:EX <Angela.Jones@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Hi Craig, our other meeting will be done early, wondering if the Russian Ambassador could meet earlier instead, possibly 2pm?

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 8, 2016 10:14 AM
To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV
Thanks.

From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 8, 2016 10:12 AM
To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Cc: Hay, Lorna MIT:EX; Tan, Alyson MIT:EX
Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV
Yes, sorry – booked it for 1 hr. in case we're is running behind.
Best,
Craig

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 8, 2016 10:11 AM
To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Cc: Hay, Lorna MIT:EX; Tan, Alyson MIT:EX
Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV
Will this be a 30 minute meeting?

From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 8, 2016 10:04 AM
To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Cc: Hay, Lorna MIT:EX; Tan, Alyson MIT:EX
Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV
Hi Angela,
Boardroom 3 is booked from 1600-1700
Best,
Craig

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 8, 2016 9:48 AM
To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX

Cc: Hay, Lorna MIT:EX; Tan, Alyson MIT:EX

Subject: RE: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV

Hi Craig,

We can approve December 6th at 4:00pm at s.15 Please note the Minister is attending s.12
s.12 not sure what time yet. I'm hoping this will not
cause an issue with the Minister's schedule, if anything changes I'll let you know right away. Lorna and
Alyson will have appropriate staff at the Protocol meeting and provide materials to the Minister, once
again please copy them on the agenda and bio.

Also, please let me know which room you will book at s.15

Thanks,

Angela

From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX

Sent: Wednesday, November 2, 2016 10:04 AM

To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX

Subject: meeting request: Ambassador of Russia, H.E. Alexander DARCHIEV

Dear Angela,

Meeting request for the Ambassador of Russia on December 6 in Victoria - or possibly Vancouver if it is
first thing in the morning, or late afternoon. Also some potential windows on December 5 in Vancouver
if that is more suitable.

The Ambassador of Russia, His Excellency Alexander N. DARCHIEV is making his first official visit to
British Columbia in early December to formally appoint his new Honorary Consul General (Ms. Erin
CHUTTER), and award medals to veterans of WWII.

He will also be accompanied by:

3. The Counselor on Economic Affairs, Mr. Sergey N. Strokov

4. The Head of the Consular Department, Mr. Nikolai N. Moskvichev

He is asking to meet with Minister Wat on the following topics:

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He will also be meeting with various BC businesses while in the province.

IGRS has reviewed the request and is supportive of the Minister taking this meeting.

His bio is attached.

Sincerely,

Craig Windrim

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To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Subject: RE: helpful if Russian meeting starts at 3:15?

No, 3:30pm is fine, I managed to fill the empty spot with another meeting.

From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 4:08 PM
To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Subject: helpful if Russian meeting starts at 3:15?

Hi Angela, I think we can do 15 minutes earlier... No more than that sadly. Let me know.

Sincerely,

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From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 4:26 PM
To: Yap, Joyce MIT:EX
Subject: RE: MTW Meetings - Dec 6

Thanks!

From: Yap, Joyce MIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 3:39 PM
To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Subject: FW: MTW Meetings - Dec 6

Hi Angela,

FYI.



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From: Doyle, Rosabelle MIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 2:47 PM
To: Tan, Alyson MIT:EX
Cc: Delaney, Catherine A MIT:EX; Han, Henry MIT:EX; Hayes, Victoria MIT:EX
Subject: RE: MTW Meetings - Dec 6

Hi Alyson,

As per Henry, please put down the following staff to support MTW:

- Ambassador of Russia (3:30pm) – Victoria Hayes
- UK HC Drake (2pm) – Henry Han (notional – may send someone else instead)

Do you know if someone from MO will be sending a calendar invite to staff? If not, please let me know so that my team can enter the meeting details in our calendars. Thank you.

Regards,
Rosabelle Doyle
Information Officer
International Markets

T: 604 775.2184

From: Tan, Alyson MIT:EX
Sent: Tuesday, November 29, 2016 10:38 AM
To: Doyle, Rosabelle MIT:EX
Cc: Delaney, Catherine A MIT:EX
Subject: MTW Meetings - Dec 6

Good morning,

Two meetings are scheduled for Dec 6 – Ambassador of Russia (3:30pm) and UK HC Drake (2pm) – with MTW. Can you please let me know who will be staffing Minister at these meetings? I assume staffing would be in person, correct me if I'm wrong, and FYI – they will be held at ^{s.15}

Thank you,

Alyson

Alyson Tan
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From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Thursday, December 1, 2016 4:49 PM
To: Tan, Alyson MIT:EX
Subject: FW: itinerary for Russian Ambassador DARCHIEV, Dec 6
Attachments: Ambassador Darchiev bio.pdf; BIOS of Ministerial meeting Attendees.doc; Itinerary_Amb_DARCHIEV_Dec6_2016.docx

Hi Alyson,

Please upload.

Thanks,

Angela

From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Sent: Thursday, December 1, 2016 4:42 PM
To: Elliott, Heidi FIN:EX; Khaira, Manjit IGRS:EX; Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Cc: Lobmeier, Lucy S IGRS:EX; Bremner, Virginia PREM:EX
Subject: itinerary for Russian Ambassador DARCHIEV, Dec 6

Hi everyone,

Please see attached for the itinerary and CVs of the Russian delegation led by Ambassador DARCHIEV to Victoria and Vancouver next Tuesday.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Minister Wat will be asked to present gifts, which will be determined on Monday.

Sincerely,

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Her international business development training includes Wilstrup Research Institute in Copenhagen (Denmark), industrial marketing courses at Heraeus Corp. in Hanau (Germany), Project and Export financing courses at the Head Quarters of the Dresdner Bank AG (Frankfurt Am-Mein), and international trade and investment training at the London's Head Quarters of the UK Trade and Investment (British Trade International).



PROTOCOL ITINERARY



Visit of **H.E. Alexander N. DARCHIEV**
Ambassador of Russia to Canada

Visit Date: **December 6, 2016**

Contact: Ms. Tatiana Domilovskaya, Director, (604) 720-2905

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Accompanied by:

2. **Mr. Sergey STROKOV**, Senior Counselor on Economic Relations of the Russian Embassy
3. **Mr. Nikolai MOSKVICHEV**, Head of the Consular Department of the Russian Embassy
3. **Ms. Erin CHUTTER**, Honorary Consul of the Russian Federation in British Columbia
4. **Ms. Tatiana DOMILOVSKAYA**, Director of the Vancouver Chapter of Canada-Eurasia-Russia Business Association

Contact Information

Ms. Domilovskaya
Cel: (604) 720-2905

Ms. Chutter
Cel: s.17

Tuesday, December 6, 2016 – Victoria, Vancouver

10:50 Greeted by **Mr. Manjit Khaira**, Protocol Manager, at Harbour Air seaplane terminal, Victoria (arriving flight #211)

Manjit Khaira
Cel: s.17

Traveling:
His Excellency Alexander N. Darchiev, Ambassador of Russia
Ms. Erin Chutter, Honorary Consul General

12:00 – Luncheon with **Honourable Judith Guichon**, Lieutenant Governor
13:30 of British Columbia

Heidi Elliott
(250) 356-0925

Topics:

- Ambassador's first official visit to British Columbia

Location: s.15

13:45 Transport to Harbour Air seaplane terminal, depart 14:10 flight #218 to Vancouver Harbour

14:50 – Private time
15:20

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15:25 Greeted by **Mr. Craig Windrim**, Protocol Manager, s.15 Craig Windrim
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15:30– Meeting with **Honourable Teresa Wat**, Ministry of International Trade and Multiculturalism Angela Jones
16:00 s.17

Topics:

- Trade, Investment and Multiculturalism

Location: s.15

-- Gifts Will Be Presented to the Ambassador and Delegation --

END OF PROGRAM

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AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION TO CANADA

Alexander N. DARCHIEV



Born in 1960.

1983 – graduated from History Department, Moscow State University.

1983-1992 – post-graduate student, junior, senior research fellow, Institute of the US and Canada Studies. Russian Academy of Sciences.

Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Department of North America, in 1992.

1992-1997 – First Secretary, Head of Section, MFA Department of North America.

1997-2002 – Counselor, Embassy of the Russian Federation in the US.

2003-2005 – Deputy Director, MFA, Department of North America.

2005-2010 – Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of the Russian Federation in the US.

2010-2014 - Director, MFA Department of North America.

Appointed as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation to Canada on October 24, 2014.

He has a diplomatic rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

Decorated with numerous awards.

Speaks English and French.

Married, has a daughter.



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(DAR-chee-ev)
(STRO-kov)
(MOSK-vee-chev)
(Chutt-er)
(DOH-mi-lov-skaya)

Best,

Craig

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Monday, December 5, 2016 2:32 PM
To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Subject: FW: gifts for Russian delegation tomorrow

Question – do you have pronunciation of attendees names?

From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Monday, December 5, 2016 2:29 PM
To: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Cc: Denney, Jay MIT:EX
Subject: RE: gifts for Russian delegation tomorrow

Thanks Craig, copying Jay Denney, he will be with the Minister tomorrow.

Angela

From: Windrim, Craig IGRS:EX
Sent: Monday, December 5, 2016 2:27 PM
To: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Subject: gifts for Russian delegation tomorrow

Hi Angela,

Please brief the Minister on the following gifts for tomorrow's meeting with the Russian Ambassador:

Ambassador: First Nations-designed handcrafted, carved salt and pepper grinders

New Honorary Consul General: Jade Inukshuk for her desk

2 embassy officials: pewter Maple Leaf candle holder

I will bring these with me tomorrow.

Note: There is not a gift for the CERBA representative who is local.

Sincerely,

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From: Jones, Angela MIT:EX
Sent: Monday, December 5, 2016 2:39 PM
To: Wat, Teresa MIT:EX
Subject: FW: gifts for Russian delegation tomorrow

Hi Minister, for your info, I've added to your calendar notes and forwarded to Jay for his info.

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MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND
MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR
ASIA PACIFIC STRATEGY AND MULTICULTURALISM

MEETING NOTE

Cliff #: 16649

Date: November 16, 2016

PREPARED FOR: Honourable Teresa Wat, Minister of International Trade and Minister Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism

DATE AND TIME OF MEETING: Tuesday, December 6, 2016 – 4:00 pm

ATTENDEES: His Excellency Alexander N. Darchiev (DAR-**CHI**-YEV), Russian Ambassador to Canada (see Attachment 1 for full list)

ISSUES: The Ambassador would like to discuss^{s.16}
s.16 A gift is to be presented to the Ambassador, as it is his Excellency's first official visit to BC.

BACKGROUND: Russia has a population of 143.46 million and is a Federal Republic. The Head of State is President Vladimir Putin. Russia ranks as BC's 30th largest destination for goods exports, which were \$50.8 million in 2015. Top exports include helicopters, airplanes and spacecrafts (and parts); and machinery for stones, ores or other minerals and vessels.

Canada is represented in the Russian Federation through an Embassy in Moscow and an Honorary Consulate in Vladivostok. The Russian Federation is represented in Canada through an Embassy in Ottawa, Consulates-General in Toronto and Montreal and Honorary Consuls in several other Canadian cities, including Vancouver.

In 2011, over 120,800 British Columbians identified themselves as having a Russian background. The Russian Community Centre in Vancouver was established in 1956 to promote and support Russian cultural activities. It is home of the Russian Balalaika Orchestra, the Yablochko Russian Dance Ensemble and a Children's Russian language Saturday school.

Business linkages between BC and Russia are strongly supported through the work of the Canada Eurasia Russia Business Association (CERBA) and its Vancouver chapter. CERBA provides a network of contacts, frequent networking events, seminars on topics related to the Eurasian market, trade missions as well as market intelligence and advocacy on government policy. It has a network of seven chapters located in Moscow, Almaty, Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, Calgary and Vancouver, and a network of over 180 corporations.

DISCUSSION:

This is Ambassador Darchiev's first official visit to BC since being appointed to his current position in October 2014. His visit will include the formal appointment of a new Honorary Consul General in BC, Ms. Erin Chutter; and the presentation of a medal to a veteran of World War 2.^{s.22}

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The Vancouver Chapter of CERBA is very active, delivering a number of events in BC and missions to Eurasia/ Russia across the year. The Ministry of International Trade provides in-kind support to CERBA events in the form of event promotion to MIT clients and providing speakers for events.

Over the past year, the Vancouver CERBA Chapter has brought sector-specific delegations to the Roundup Conference (mineral exploration) in Jan 2016, Global Petroleum Show in June 2016 (Calgary); and Demo International (forestry and wood processing) in September 2016, and has hosted visiting officials from Russia, Kazakhstan, Turkey and Belarus. The newly appointed Honorary Consul General, Erin Chutter, sits on the Board of Directors for CERBA.

SUGGESTED RESPONSE:

- Welcome Ambassador Darchiev to British Columbia and congratulations on the recent appointment of Ms. Erin Chutter as Honorary Consul General in BC.

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- I would be pleased to have my staff work with yours as well as CERBA to identify potential opportunities in these and other sectors.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment 1 – List of Attendees
- Attachment 2 – Biographical Information
- Attachment 3 – Canada-Russia Relations
- Attachment 4 – Country Trade Profile – Russia
- Attachment 5 – Russia Fact Sheet

Prepared by: Victoria Hayes, Director – India & Europe, IBD
Telephone: 604-660-9727(office) ^{s.17} (mobile)

Reviewed by				
Dir: VH	ED: HH	A/ADM: JM	DM:	MIN:

Attachment 1

LIST OF ATTENDEES

- His Excellency Alexander N. Darchiev (DAR-**CHI**-YEV), Russian Ambassador to Canada (
- Mr. Nikolai N. Moskvichev (MOSK-**VEE**-CHEV), Head of the Consular Department
- Mr. Sergey N. Stokov, Counselor on Economic Affairs;
- Ms. Erin Chutter, Honorary Consul
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Attachment 2

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**Ambassador of Russia to Canada, Alexander N. Darchiev**

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in Hanau (Germany), Project and Export financing courses at the Head Quarters of the Dresdner Bank AG (Frankfurt Am-Mein), and international trade and investment training at the London's Head Quarters of the UK Trade and Investment (British Trade International).

Attachment 3

CANADA-RUSSIA RELATIONS

SUBJECT / ISSUE

Canada's bilateral relations with Russia.

CANADIAN POSITION

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BILATERAL RELATIONS

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SANCTIONS

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The Governor in Council approved the *Special Economic Measures (Russia) Regulations* and the *Special Economic Measures (Ukraine) Regulations* on March 17, 2014. There have been 12 subsequent amendments to the Russia Regulations and 10 amendments to the Ukraine Regulations. ^{s.16}

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Canada's most recent sanctions were announced in March 2016, ^{s.16}

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Canada stands ready to implement

further measures as required, in coordination with partners.

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^{s.16} In an interview with the German newspaper Bild, President Putin indicated that sanctions are "severely harming Russia", particularly with respect to opportunities on the international financial markets. The Russian Central Bank has forecast net capital outflow for 2016 to be USD \$53 billion. The figure was \$57 billion in 2015 and \$153 billion in 2014.

COMMERCIAL RELATIONS

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The Trade Commissioner Service in Moscow continues to provide support to Canadian companies, where required, to address bilateral commercial and market access issues.

HIGH-LEVEL ENGAGEMENT

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Top 5 BC Origin Exports to Russia, 2015	Cdn \$Millions	Share of total
1. Helicopters, airplanes and spacecraft	\$23.5	46%
2. Machinery for handling stones, ores or other mineral substances	\$6.2	12%
3. Parts of helicopters, airplanes, balloons, dirigibles and spacecraft	\$2.8	6%
4. Vessels, including warships and lifeboats other than rowing boats, not elsewhere specified	\$2.7	5%
5. Dredgers; floating or submersible vessels/docks/platforms	\$2.0	4%
Total	\$50.8	100%

Top 5 Canadian Exports to Russia, 2015	Cdn \$Millions	Share of total
1. Helicopters, airplanes and spacecraft	\$97.0	19%
2. Flight simulators, aircraft launching gear, deck arrestors and similar gear	\$27.4	5%
3. Pet food and animal feed preparations	\$27.3	5%
4. Ferro-alloys	\$19.7	4%
5. Parts suitable for use with machinery of headings 84.25 to 84.30	\$18.3	3%
Total	\$524.2	100%

Top 5 Canadian Imports from Russia, 2015	Cdn \$Millions	Share of total
1. Petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals other than crude	\$322.9	31%
2. Mineral or chemical fertilizers, nitrogenous	\$89.4	9%
3. New pneumatic tires, of rubber	\$84.4	8%
4. Other precious metals, unwrought or in powder forms	\$46.1	4%
5. Refined copper and copper alloys, unwrought	\$45.2	4%
Total	\$1,039.5	100%

Top 5 Exports from Russia to the Rest of the World, 2014	US \$Millions	Share of total
1. Mineral fuels, oils, distillation products, etc	\$346,119.4	70%
2. Iron and steel	\$20,555.7	4%
3. Pearls, precious stones, metals, coins, etc	\$11,845.2	2%
4. Commodities not specified according to kind	\$11,724.8	2%
5. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery, etc	\$9,256.9	2%
Total	\$497,833.5	100%

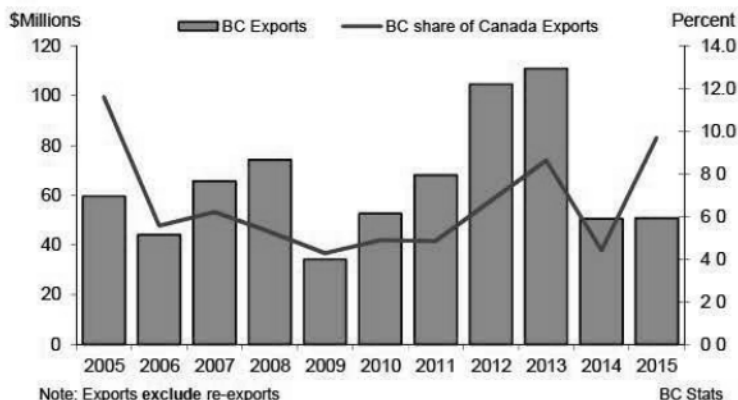
Data Source: International Trade Centre

Top 5 Imports into Russia from the Rest of the World, 2014	US \$Millions	Share of total
1. Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery, etc	\$52,105.4	18%
2. Electrical, electronic equipment	\$33,740.3	12%
3. Vehicles other than railway, tramway	\$31,392.5	11%
4. Pharmaceutical products	\$12,804.4	4%
5. Plastics and articles thereof	\$11,030.0	4%
Total	\$286,648.8	100%

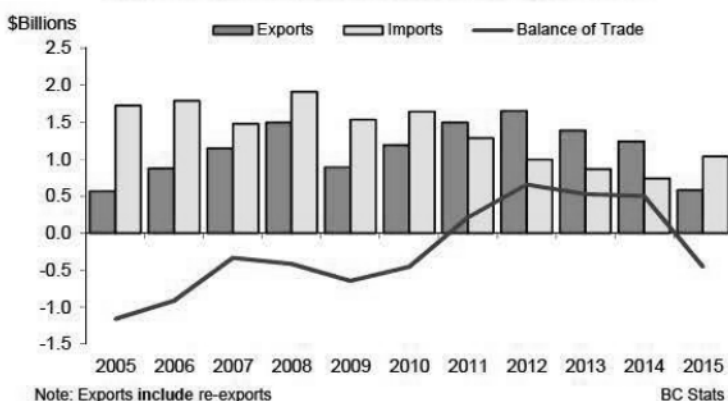
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Provincial Distribution of Exports to Russia, 2015	Cdn \$Millions	Share of total
1. Quebec	\$210.7	40.2%
2. Ontario	\$142.1	27.1%
3. Alberta	\$92.8	17.7%
4. British Columbia	\$50.8	9.7%
5. Manitoba	\$14.1	2.7%
6. Saskatchewan	\$9.7	1.9%
7. Nova Scotia	\$2.3	0.4%
8. Prince Edward Is.	\$0.8	0.2%
9. New Brunswick	\$0.6	0.1%
10. Newfoundland & Lab.	\$0.1	0.0%
11. Yukon	\$0.1	0.0%
12. Northwest Terr.	\$0.0	0.0%
13. Nunavut	\$0.0	0.0%
Canada Total	\$524.2	100.0%

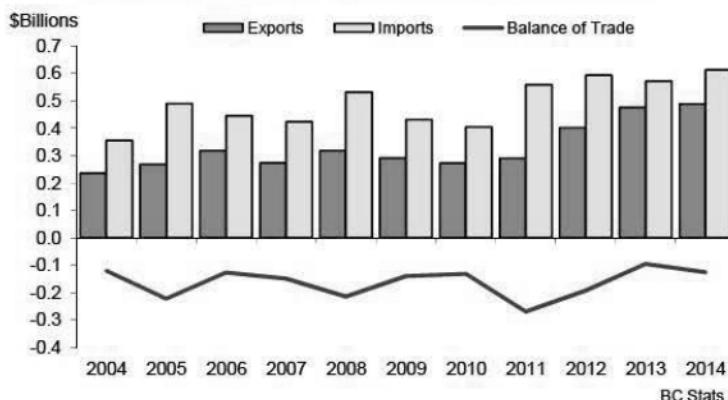
BC Origin Exports to Russia



Canada's Balance of Trade in Goods with Russia



Canada's Balance of Trade in Services with Russia



How important is Russia to BC and Canada?

Russia ranked #30 as a destination for BC origin exports in 2015 with 0.1% of BC's commodity exports shipped there. It was ranked #41 as a destination for Canadian exports with 0.1% of Canadian goods exports shipped there and #36 as a source of imports into Canada with 0.2% of Canadian imports originating from Russia.

How important is Canada to Russia?

Canada was the source of approximately 0.4% of imports into Russia in 2014. Approximately 0.1% of exports from Russia were destined for Canada in that year.

RUSSIA

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Russia General Information

Population	142,423,773 (2015)
Annual Population Growth Rate	0.0% (2015)
GDP (US\$)*	\$3.471 trillion (2015)
Per Capita GDP (US\$)*	\$23,700 (2015)
GDP Real Growth	-3.9% (2015)

*Purchasing Power Parity
Source: CIA

BC's High Technology Trade with Russia (Cdn\$ Millions)

Year	Domestic Exports	Re-Exports	Imports	Trade Balance
2005	\$1.5	\$0.1	\$1.5	\$0.0
2006	\$6.8	\$4.4	\$1.3	\$9.9
2007	\$10.1	\$0.9	\$1.2	\$9.8
2008	\$9.8	\$0.2	\$1.3	\$8.7
2009	\$2.9	\$0.1	\$1.7	\$1.4
2010	\$4.1	\$1.5	\$1.9	\$3.7
2011	\$16.6	\$0.2	\$1.6	\$15.2
2012	\$21.1	\$1.7	\$1.8	\$20.9
2013	\$7.1	\$0.2	\$2.3	\$5.0
2014	\$4.6	\$1.6	\$2.6	\$3.6

Source: BC Stats

Canada's Investment Position with Russia (Cdn\$ Millions)

Year	Canadian Direct Investment in Russia	Direct Investment in Canada by Russia
2005	x	x
2006	\$357	x
2007	\$540	x
2008	\$751	\$156
2009	\$688	\$554
2010	\$588	\$1,249
2011	\$3,451	x
2012	x	x
2013	x	\$1,220
2014	\$2,080	x

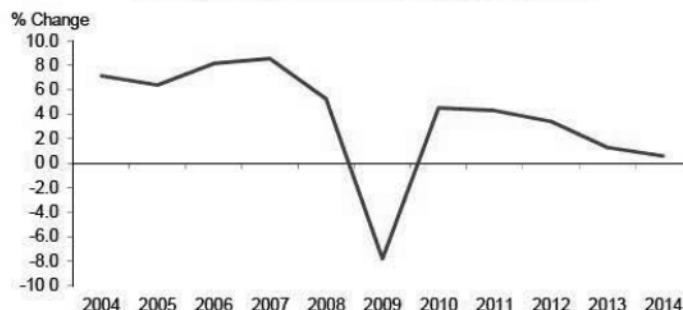
Source: Statistics Canada

Travellers from Russia Entering Canada Through BC and Immigration to BC from Russia

Year	Travellers (Persons)	Immigrants (Persons)
2006	2,577	489
2007	2,412	425
2008	2,976	378
2009	3,486	521
2010	6,893	402
2011	4,002	288
2012	4,190	280
2013	4,681	415
2014	4,115	245
2015	3,348	-

Source: Statistics Canada

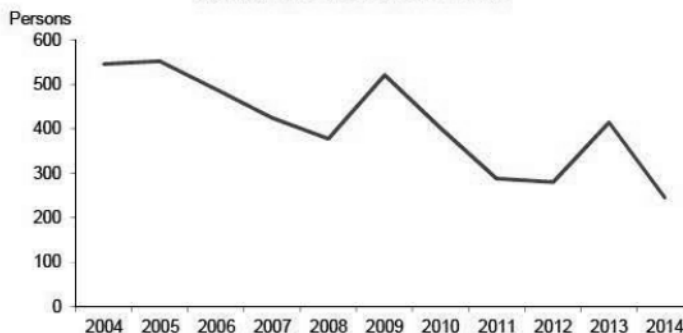
Year-Over-Year % Growth in GDP of Russia



Source: International Monetary Fund

BC Stats

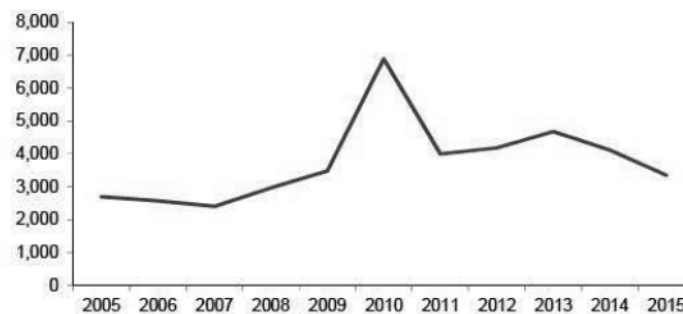
Immigrants to BC from Russia



Source: Statistics Canada

BC Stats

Travellers from Russia Entering Canada Through BC



Source: Statistics Canada

BC Stats

Russia

Official Title: Russian Federation

General Information:

Capital	Moscow	Population (million) 146.30
Total Area	17075400 km ²	
Currency	1 CAN\$=47.74 Rouble (RUB)(2015 - Annual average)	
National Holiday	12 June, National Day	
Language(s)	Russian, others	

Political Information:

Type of State Federal Republic

Type of Government

Mixed presidential/parliamentary democracy. Bicameral Federal Assembly (Federalnoe Sobranie) with a 166 member Federation Council (Sovet Federatsii) and a 450 member State Duma (Gosudarstvennaya Duma). Prime Minister and ministers of Government appointed by the President. Administrative divisions: 83 divisions known as "subjects" of the Russian Federation (46 oblasts, 21 republics, 4 autonomous okrugs, 9 krais, 2 federal cities (Moscow & St.-Petersburg) & 1 autonomous oblast).

Head of State

President
Vladimir Putin

Head of Government

Prime Minister
Dmitry Medvedev

Ministers: Foreign Affairs: Sergey Lavrov
Economic Development : Alexey Ulyukayev
Finance: Anton Siluanov

Main Political Parties

Parties represented in Duma: United Russia, Communist Party of the Russian Federation (KPRF), A Just Russia, Liberal Democratic Party of Russia (LDPR)

Duma: United Russia (238), Communist Party of the Russian Federation (92), A Just Russia (CP) (64), Liberal Democratic Party of Russia (LDPR) (56).

Elections: President: 6 year term. Last March 2012. Members of the Duma: 5 year term. Last election: December 2011.

Economic Information: (2015)

IMF/Statistics Canada

	Russia	Canada
GDP: (billion)	\$1,693.95	\$1,985.05
GDP per capita:	\$11,578.62	\$55,409.05
GDP Growth rate: (%)	-3.75	1.18
Inflation: (%)	15.53	1.11
Unemployment: (%)	5.58	6.89

Product Trade and Investment: (2015)

Statistics Canada

Canadian Exports:	\$583,958,324
Canadian Imports:	\$1,039,539,674
Foreign Direct Investment in Canada	n/a (million)
Canadian Direct Investment to Russia	\$2,261 (million)

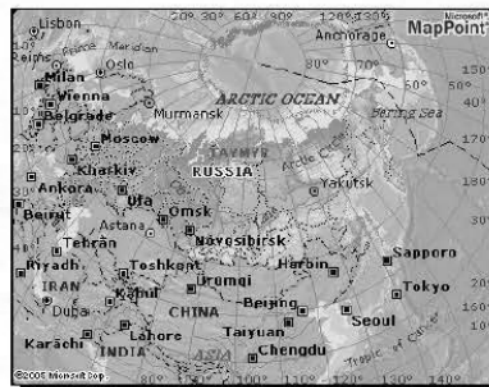
Representation:

Foreign Representation in Canada

Ambassador Alexander Darchiev

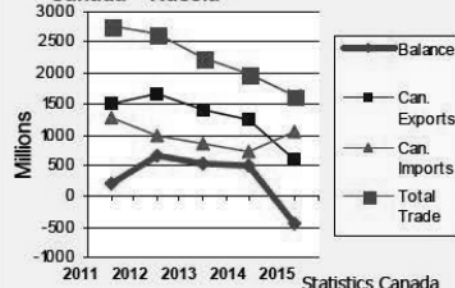
Canadian Representation Abroad

Ambassador John R. Kur

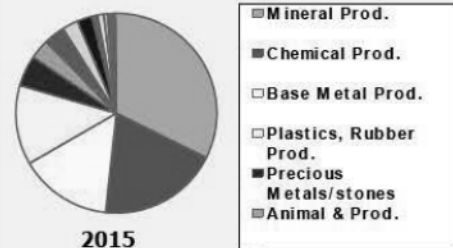


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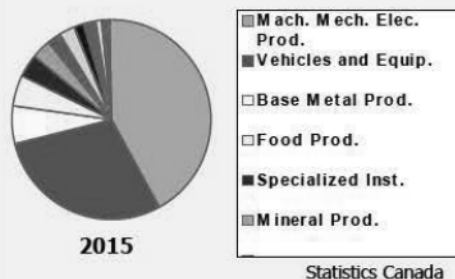
Canada - Russia



Canadian Imports from: Russia



Canadian Exports to: Russia



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