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To: ["nini.baird@meddla.ca"](mailto:nini.baird@meddla.ca)
Cc: [Meadows, Jennifer L TAC:EX](#)
Subject: Our Ref. 30868 - Minister Letter to Ms. Nini Baird Re: 2017/18 Knowledge Network Corporation Mandate Letter
Date: Tuesday, September 5, 2017 9:31:00 AM
Attachments: [Mandate Letter for Knowledge Network.pdf](#)

Good Morning Ms. Baird,

Attached is the Minister signed 2017/18 Knowledge Network Corporation Mandate Letter for review and signature.

Crown Corporations are required to post their Minister and Board Chair signed mandate letter on their web site on Budget Day, September 11th **after** the Minister of Finance tables the budget in the House.

Please send a copy of the signed letter to Jennifer Meadows, Director of Executive Operations, Deputy Minister's office at Jennifer.Meadows@gov.bc.ca on or before September 11, 2017.

Office of the Minister

Honourable Lisa Beare

Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture
and Minister Responsible for Sport and Multiculturalism
Ph: (250) 953-0905



Our Ref. 30868

September 5, 2017

Nini Baird, Chair
Board of Directors
Knowledge Network Corporation
4355 Mathissi Place
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Dear Ms. Baird,

On behalf of Premier Horgan and our new government, thank you for your service to the people of British Columbia. I look forward to working with you in the months and years to come to help deliver on government's priorities, and provide effective programs and services to the people of our province.

This Mandate Letter lays out the principles of this government and you are to take these into consideration when revising your Service plan for the *Budget 2017 Update*. It is expected that Knowledge Network Corporation will manage its programs and initiatives within its existing budget targets, unless otherwise directed.

Going forward you are to begin the process of working with me as the Minister responsible to develop strategic actions through the 2018 Mandate letter process for *Budget 2018*. I will provide further direction. The Ministry of Finance will provide guidance on preparation for *Budget 2018*.

Our government made three key commitments to British Columbians.

Our first commitment is to make life more affordable. We expect all public service organizations to work to contain costs, and to be conscious of the impact of every decision on the daily cost of living of families and businesses.

Our second commitment is to deliver the services that people count on. In many cases, critical programs and services are delivered by Crown Corporations, and ministers will work with Board Chairs to ensure your organizations remain focused on maintaining and improving levels of service to citizens.

Our third key commitment is to build a strong, sustainable, innovative economy that works for everyone. Our government believes that public sector organizations have a role to play in supporting broad-based economic growth in every region of the province.

To support true and lasting reconciliation with First Nations in British Columbia, our government 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. Please ensure that going forward your organization incorporates the UNDRIP and Calls to Action, given the specific mandate and context of your organization.

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As the Board Chair of a Crown agency, your primary accountability to government is through me as the Minister responsible. My expectation is that regular dialogue and engagement between the ministry and your organization will continue, starting with regular meetings between us over the coming weeks and months. Included in these meetings will be regular meetings between your communications staff and Government Communications and Public Engagement staff responsible for the communication of Ministry-related matters.

The Crown Agencies Resource Office (CARO) has lead responsibility for overseeing and maintaining the Public Sector Organizations Governance Framework. CARO has now integrated with the Board Resourcing and Development Office (BRDO) which provides leadership in the merit based appointment of qualified and competent individuals to the Crown Agencies. All Crown corporations and other public agencies are asked to work closely with this Office on Board member appointments, all governance matters including orientation and training of Board members, and on accountability to government generally.

I look forward to regular meetings to discuss progress on your strategic priorities and to ensure you and your organization are supported in delivering your mandate on behalf of the people of British Columbia.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lisa Beare', written in a cursive style.

Lisa Beare
Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture

_____ Date:

Nini Baird
Chair, Knowledge Network Corporation

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Mr. David Galbraith, Associate Deputy Minister and Secretary to Treasury Board

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Ms. Sandra Carroll, Deputy Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture

Ms. Wendy Heshka, Director, Knowledge Network Corporation

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From: [Poirier, Dorice TAC:EX](#)
To: ["ninib@knowledge.ca"](mailto:ninib@knowledge.ca)
Cc: ["Rudy Buttignol"](#)
Subject: \$2 million provincial contribution to Knowledge Network for the making of Lions of the Sea: Voyage of the Komagata Maru
Date: Monday, January 8, 2018 3:43:00 PM
Attachments: [32109 Ms. Nini Baird C.M. re Lions of the Sea - Voyage of the Komagata Maru.pdf](#)

Hi

Please find attached a letter from Assistant Deputy minister Claire Avison regarding the \$2 million provincial contribution to Knowledge Network for the making of *Lions of the Sea: Voyage of the Komagata Maru*

January 8, 2018

Ref: 32109

Ms. Nini Baird C.M.,
Chair
Knowledge Network Corporation
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Dear Ms. Baird:

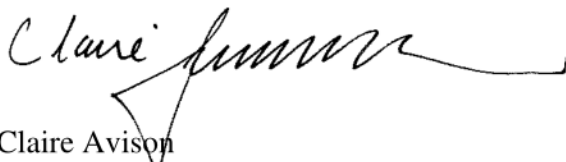
I am following up on the letter sent to you from the Province of British Columbia on March 30, 2017 regarding the \$2 million provincial contribution to Knowledge Network for the making of *Lions of the Sea: Voyage of the Komagata Maru*, a feature film and miniseries, based on the history of the Komagata Maru incident.

The Province received a copy of the pre-license letter of intent, signed with Komagata Maru Productions Inc. c/o First Take Entertainment Ltd. on April 4th, 2017. In order to release the \$2 million in contingencies funding by the end of this fiscal year, I now require a signed long form program license agreement as confirmation that this project will proceed.

If you are unable to provide a signed long form program license agreement with Komagata Maru Productions Inc. c/o First Take Entertainment Ltd. by February 2nd, 2018, the offer of a provincial contribution for the project will expire by this date.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I am happy to discuss this matter with you further.

Sincerely,



Claire Avison
Assistant Deputy Minister, Tourism Art and Culture

cc: Rudy Buttingol, CEO
Knowledge Network Corporation

Meadows, Jennifer L TAC:EX

From: Rudy Buttignol <rudyb@knowledge.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2017 10:02 AM
To: TAC Deputy Minister TAC:EX; Avison, Claire TAC:EX
Cc: Pamela Thomas; Glenna Pollon
Subject: Knowledge Tour & Budget Update

Hi Sandra & Claire:

I hope you have acclimatized to the new Ministry since we last spoke in August. It was our pleasure to host Minister Beare at Knowledge Network last week. Following a brief tour of our facility we presented the broad strokes of our new strategic plans for the coming years. In particular, we were able to demonstrate how Knowledge's commissioning of documentaries and children's programs leverages additional federal government funding for BC's independent filmmakers. Asha Bhat will be here this Wednesday for a similar tour. I hope that you and Claire will soon find the time in your busy schedules to come to Burnaby.

In the meantime, is it possible to arrange a teleconference to discuss next year's budget plans? We have recently responded to a query from Treasury Board that I would like to discuss with you. This week or early in the New Year work for my schedule.

Cheers, Rudy

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From: Rudy Buttignol <rudyb@knowledge.ca>
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2017 2:50 PM
To: TAC Deputy Minister TAC:EX
Cc: Avison, Claire TAC:EX; Glenna Pollon; Pamela Thomas
Subject: our meeting

Hi Sandra:

It was a pleasure to meet you and Claire a couple of weeks ago.
There was much ground to cover but too little time.
I look forward continuing our discussions and meeting with Minister Beare.
You are most welcome to tour of Knowledge Network at your convenience.
Citizen Services has been a good ministry for us; and Sarf Ahmed a great partner.
However, we are excited to be moving to Tourism, Arts & Culture and
look forward to working together with you and your team.
Most sincerely, Rudy

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From: Glenna Pollon <glennap@knowledge.ca>
Sent: Thursday, August 31, 2017 5:47 PM
To: Avison, Claire TAC:EX
Subject: KNC Board Member

Hello Claire,

Following up on Rudy's email, I understand you had a good meeting yesterday in Victoria. He asked me to confirm when Board member Wendy Heshka's term expires – after checking the OIC it is December 31, 2017.

If you have any questions or require information about Knowledge Network, please let me know. I prepare Knowledge Network's government reports (service plans, annual reports, multiculturalism reports, etc.) and work with our Board of Directors (governance, board renewal, etc.) I'm also responsible for regulatory matters pertaining to our broadcast licence granted by the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunication Commission (CRTC).

Please let us know when you are available to visit Knowledge Network and have a tour of our broadcast facility. We look forward to working with you!

Glenna

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