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Sent: Wed 7/19/2017 6:41:15 PM
Subject: Re: EPA ADMIN AUSTRALIA 2017: (FOR ACTION) Further Information for Meeting Request with FM Bishop
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Official letter from AAC to assist during the visit.
Matthew

On Jul 19, 2017, at 10:32 AM, Matthew Freedman <mfreedman@globalimpact-inc.com> wrote:

Here is some language. This is potentially a turf issue; State Dept may not want him to meet people outside his environmental jurisdiction which would be a mistake. I know that the FM would like to have a meeting. FYI.

Matthew

"The purpose of the meeting with the Foreign Minister is to engage in an open dialogue on issues that impact US and Australian relations. Environmental and energy issues are important areas for discussion and impact investment - innovation, deregulation and the appropriate balance between federal and state processes. Also, gas, fracking and overall environmental cooperation are important topics of mutual concern. Given the importance of the bilateral relationship, this is an opportunity to directly engage seniors Australian officials such as the Foreign Minister, that will allow an on-going discussion on issues where both parties can learn from past experiences. The Trump Administration strongly supports and values the current partnership between the two countries, and an initial discussion will allow additional exchanges in the future, and contribute in the future to overall AUSMIN goals and objectives. The Foreign Minister and other senior officials have already met with key members of the Trump Cabinet, including The President, Vice President Pence, Secretary Tillerson and others. This is an opportunity to introduce the EPA Administrator to the Foreign Minister, and other senior Cabinet officials in Australia and to build a personal relationship."

On Jul 19, 2017, at 6:06 AM, Hupp, Millan <hupp.millan@epa.gov> wrote:

Thoughts?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Shea, James J" <SheaJJ@state.gov>
Date: July 19, 2017 at 2:16:32 AM CDT
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Subject: EPA ADMIN AUSTRALIA 2017: (FOR ACTION) Further Information for Meeting Request with FM Bishop

Good evening EPA.-

We hope this email finds you well. Before we submit an official meeting request with the office of Foreign Minister Julie Bishop, our Chargé d’Affaires has asked for more information regarding the request, specifically the purpose of the meeting and issues/items that will be discussed in the meeting. We would appreciate this information from your team so that we can pass it back to the Chargé for his consideration.

Thank you.

Best,

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AMERICAN
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July 19, 2017

The Honorable Scott Pruitt
US Environmental Protection Agency
Washington, DC

Dear Administrator Pruitt:

On behalf of the American Australian Council, we would like to host you during your visit to Australia August 31 – September 8, 2017, and arrange meetings with US private sector companies. The objective is to provide you with inputs from US companies operating in Australia related to energy, environmental innovation, and deregulation.

US companies in the energy and environmental areas have been doing business in Australia for many years, and we believe that these companies can provide you with important insights into the Australian energy and environmental marketplace and the challenges and opportunities facing these companies.

The American Australian Council is a bipartisan, nonprofit 501(c)(3) foundation governed by a volunteer board of directors composed of former members of Congress; senior political appointees from both major political parties; top government relations and public policy leaders; and business enterprise entrepreneurs.

Our mission is to promote the special relationship between the United States and Australia. We work together with our members to enhance longstanding special channels of trust that deepens existing traditional bilateral communications and activities. In the past, we have hosted numerous senior Australian officials including the Minister for Energy and the Environment Josh Frydenberg.

We promote productive and timely bilateral exchanges among leaders in government, business, national security, technology, academic, media, and cultural arenas. Sharing viewpoints, policy positions and strategies elevates our mutual defense and security and promotes economic growth, trade and investment.

We are prepared to make arrangements for briefings from key US private sector company leaders and to work with other not-for-profit institutions if useful to furthering your core mission.

Sincerely,

Matthew C Freedman
Executive Board Member