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Sent: April 17, 2020 8:12 AM
To: Gerasimov, Boyan (SPAC/PSPC)
Subject: Re: URGENT: CTV Your Morning - Supply Chain Price Gouging?

Have you been getting asked about it though?

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On Apr 17, 2020, at 8:05 AM, Gerasimov, Boyan (SPAC/PSPC) <boyan.gerasimov@canada.ca> wrote:

But don't think we have announced anything about this.

Boyan Gerasimov

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On Apr 17, 2020, at 8:04 AM, Gerasimov, Boyan (SPAC/PSPC)
<boyan.gerasimov@canada.ca> wrote:

Sorry, my department can't do much about it. The only related area that we are considering is to help canadian manufacturers retooling to do PPE to aource their inputs from abroad.

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On Apr 17, 2020, at 7:47 AM, "Simon.Beauchemin@international.gc.ca"
<Simon.Beauchemin@international.gc.ca> wrote:

Boyan, Sarah,

Do either of your offices have answers on the question of price gauging
(see below)?

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Price Gouging?**

Hey team policy,

MNG is doing an interview with CTV Your Morning at 8:30am ET today. Last time she did an interview with them on April 1st, they asked her about price gouging on supply chains (see interview notes below).

Is this a concern we've been hearing from stakeholders? Is there any policy action/conversations she can reference if they ask her about it again?

Thanks!!

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Q: We appreciate good intentions – but need policies. But on the topic of gouging. Many small businesses that are still opened say they are being gouged on the other end by suppliers. What is your government going to do to take action on that?

We will look into it. Said at this time there is no time in this challenging circumstance for there to be measures like price gouging.

Q: Appreciate the encouragement – wondering if there will be anything more forceful?

Going to work on this and help businesses weather through this difficult time.

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