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Communications sector will work with your group to develop the first draft response. New information not previously approved should be identified in purple.

Media Heads-Up / Tier 1 - COVID-19 - PPEs from China / POLITICO Canada

Highest level of approval: MO

Subject:

Program ADM approved response: July-24-20 at 12:00

Media heads-up POLITICO Canada Blatchford, Andy (POLITICO Canada) Date call received: July-22-20 at 19:50

Deadline: July-24-20 at 17:00

Tier 1 - COVID-19 - PPEs from China

## **CONTEXT** (for your information):

The reporter initally contacted MO for a list of companies that Canada has purchased PPEs from in China since the start of the pandemic. Background information was provided by MO, as well as a written response. The reporter has follow-up questions on the information he was provided.

## **VALUE STATEMENT:**

## **QUESTIONS / RESPONSES:**

- Q1. When making purchases from suppliers during the pandemic, especially those from China, has the government still been requiring the suppliers to agree to terms conditions prohibiting labour practices such as human rights abuses including forced labour?
- Q2. Has the government been conducting an integrity check into each supplier's background including those in China during the pandemic?
- Q3. If so, have the integrity checks discovered anything concerning for Canadian officials? Have any purchases been cancelled due to these concerns?