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Subject:

China Equipment Shipment Details

Hi all.

Here are some further details regarding the 16 tonnes of personal protective equipment sent to China in early February.

The virus has been declared a public health emergency of international concern on Jan 30. At the time of the first shipment on Feb 4, there were approx 10,000 cases, 99% of which were in China.

Canada facilitated sending equipment to China through the Canadian Red Cross to the Red Cross Society of China in response to a request from the World Health Organization. This equipment was sourced through the Canadian Red Cross as well as the Government of Canada's supply.

On Feb 9, Minister Champagne announced that "Canada has deployed approximately 16 tonnes of personal protective equipment, such as clothing, face shields, masks, goggles and gloves to the country"

GAC is searching for a public quote from WHO calling on countries to send supplies.

Quantities of goods:

Coveralls: 36, 425Goggles: 1,820Masks: 1,101

Face shields: 50,118

Apron: 3000

Nitrile gloves: 200,000

Key message:

- Global cooperation on pandemics is critical to ensuring the health and safety of people around the world.
- This includes protecting people here in Canada, as support of this kind can help to slow the spread of the virus.

- In early February, when the spread of COVID-19 was primarily limited to China, Canada facilitated sending equipment there through the Canadian Red Cross to the Red Cross Society of China in response to the WHO's call.
- Canada will continue to work to ensure that we have the equipment we need to fight this virus and that our partners do too.

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