From:	fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC)
Sent:	July 31, 2020 6:44 PM
To:	Media
Cc:	Jean-François Létourneau; Me'Shel Gulliver Bélanger; Bryan Blom; Nathalie Bétoté Akwa
Subject:	Re: FYI to MO - Media outreach - COVID-19 contract information page

Will translation be ready this evening? I'm hoping to do a bit more of a push tomorrow morning.

Thanks,
James

> On Jul 31, 2020, at 4:40 PM, Media wrote:

> Of course.
> We will send to translation.
> Charles.

From: fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC) [mailto:james.fitz-morris@canada.ca]
Sent: July 31, 2020 4:36 PM
To: Media
Cc: Jean-François Létourneau ; Me'Shel Gulliver Bélanger ; Bryan Blom ; Nathalie Bétoté Akwa
Subject: Re: FYI to MO - Media outreach - COVID-19 contract information page
Forgot to ask!
Can we get the statement translated, please?
Thanks,
James

>> On Jul 31, 2020, at 4:15 PM, fitz-morris, James (SPAC/PSPC) <james.fitz-morris@canada.ca> wrote:

>> Thanks again to everyone on this.
>> I know how difficult it has been and we all would have appreciated more time
>> with the product, but we should be very proud of what we put out.
>> It's a really great page that tells a great story for us.
>> In light of it being the week-end and all... I worked with the Min to draft a
>> statement that we can share with any journalist who asks.
>> This is attributable to the Minister:
>> The Government of Canada is dedicating approximately $6-billion to buying
>> personal protective equipment, medical equipment and supplies to keep Canadians
>> safe. This includes $4.5-billion as part of the Safe Restart Agreement.

We have pursued an aggressive procurement strategy and are diversifying our supply chains in order to meet immediate demands for PPE as well as to prepare for future needs, including a potential second wave. This strategy is delivering results for Canadians in terms of securing much needed supplies and also engaging Canadian industry.

To date, Canada has signed contracts totaling approximately $6-billion on behalf of: the Public Health Agency of Canada to provide PPE to provinces and territories; federal departments and agencies; and the Essential Services Contingency Reserve. More than 80 per cent of the total value of these agreements are with Canadian companies that supply or distribute PPE. Contracts totaling nearly $2.5-billion are with Canadian manufacturers, many of which were identified through call-outs issued by Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC) and Innovation Science and Economic Development Canada.

We will continue to procure PPE and other supplies in order to keep Canadians safe through this pandemic. As the economy gradually re-opens, demand for PPE will continue to go up – and we are keeping up.

From: Media [mailto:media@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca]
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Subject: FYI to MO - Media outreach - COVID-19 contract information page

James,

For your information, we have informed the following reporters about the department's new COVID-19 contracting information page.

Murad Hemmadi (The Logic)
Steven Chase (The Globe and Mail)
Sean Silcoff (The Globe and Mail)
Stephanie Levitz (The Canadian Press)
Caitlin Taylor (CBC National News)
Evan Dyer (CBC News Ottawa)
Elizabeth Thompson (CBC National News (Parliamentary Bureau))
Scott Anderson (CBC News (Toronto))
Tori Marlan (The Capital)
Kathlene Calahan (CTV Television)
Jill Macyshon (CTV National News (Parliamentary Bureau))
Marco Oved (Toronto Star)
Peter Mazereeuw (The Hill Times)
Rachael D'Amore (Global News (Toronto))
Rick Boguski (Global News (Calgary))
Allison Martell (Reuters (Canada))
Jolson Lim (iPolitics)
Sarah Daoust-Braun (QMI)
Daniel Boily (Radio Canada, Montréal)
Louis-Denis Ebacher (Le Droit)
William Leclerc (La Presse)
Hélène Buzzetti (Le Devoir)

Catherine Lanthier (ICI Radio-Canada Info (Ottawa-Gatineau))
Yasmine Mehdi (ICI Radio-Canada Info (Ottawa-Gatineau))
Élisabeth Fleury (Le Soleil)
Charles.

Subject: Mise à jour / Update – Information sur les contrats liés à la COVID-19 | COVID-19 contract information
English follows the French
Bonjour,

Comme vous le savez, le gouvernement du Canada prend des mesures à l'échelle du gouvernement afin de lutter contre la maladie à coronavirus (COVID-19), y compris en faisant d'importants investissements dans l'équipement et les fournitures destinés au secteur de la santé, en plus d'investir dans la recherche, la science et l'innovation.

Afin d'assurer la transparence et la gestion responsable auxquelles nous nous sommes engagés, nous rendons publics les renseignements sur les contrats dans toute la mesure du possible. Vous trouverez les noms des fournisseurs et la valeur des contrats sur notre nouvelle page d'information sur les contrats liés à la COVID-19.

Nous croyons que ceci est d'intérêt pour vous.

Toutes les plus récentes nouvelles sont dans notre salle de presse.

As you know, the Government of Canada is taking a whole-of-government approach in response to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), including major investments in equipment and supplies for the health sector, as well as research, science and innovation.

As part of our commitment to transparency and accountability, we are publicly disclosing contracting information to the fullest extent possible. Supplier names and contract amounts can be found on our new COVID-19 contracting information page.

We believe that this is of interest to you.

For the latest news, visit our newsroom.

Charles.

Charles Drouin
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