

## McKenna, Neil

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**From:** Church, Leslie (SPAC/PSPC) <leslie.church@canada.ca>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 29, 2020 10:19 AM  
**To:** Kim, Sabrina  
**Cc:** Saini, Sabina (HC/SC); Gordon2, Travis (HC/SC); Murdock, Kelly (SPAC/PSPC); Stickney, Matt  
**Subject:** Re: Quick q from PM re mask orders

Hi Sabrina,

Looks good to me. Sabina may have more on the quality assessment piece once delivered. The key difference between products we purchase vs donations are that they are bought on specs and yes, Health Canada approved.

Leslie

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 29, 2020, at 9:47 AM, Kim, Sabrina <Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:

Hi there – I raised this story with the PM on the morning brief:

*Dutch media are reporting that 600,000 masks delivered by China to the Netherlands, many which have already started to be used by Dutch hospitals, don't actually work.*

I said when we are in receipt of supplies by DONATION – we do an assessment on quality and specs.

He had some follow up questions, which I am hoping to clarify when I send the written brief in a few mins.

Is it right to say that donations get an assessment check by PHAC at the National Lab on quality and specs?

And is it right to say that orders that come into Canada NOT by donation are not assessed by PHAC upon receipt & before we ship to p/ts BUT that that:

- As part of PSPC's procurement process, we require documentation demonstrating that a supplier is authorized by a Health Canada approved manufacturer.
- We are working with manufacturers to detect and avoid illegitimate suppliers.
- And we are working with established suppliers and distributors, and we have strong processes in place to ensure the authenticity of suppliers we do business with.

Does this make sense?

Thanks!  
Sabrina

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