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Sent: Saturday, March 21, 2020 10:13 PM
To: Duchesneau, Olivier
Cc: Kim, Sabrina; Stickney, Matt
Subject: Re: Olivier - QC stockpiling

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Just to clarify one thing. QC had asked for on an emergency basis 10K swabs earlier this week and we were able to procure 20K within a day to deliver to them.

But the rest is accurate. QC waited to give us their order so they missed the first bulk purchase even though we had requested their order several times. To give you a sense of what I am talking about, I will forward a chart where you will see what the rest of the provinces are asking for compared to QC.

Here are a few comparators

Nitrile gloves requests from provinces

Ontario - 500k
Manitoba - 1,158 million
NL - 3,39 million

QC - 458 million

N95 Respirators requests -

Ontario - 500K
Manitoba - 675K
NL - 900 K

QC - 1,8 million

A few new requests have come in from AB and Sask who also were not part of the initial bulk order. You will see that the AB number for N95 is high but their other numbers are quite low comparatively. QC's numbers are high across the board.

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> On Mar 21, 2020, at 9:17 PM, Duchesneau, Olivier <Olivier.Duchesneau@pmo-cpm.gc.ca> wrote:
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> Adding Sabina for her input.

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> Sent from my iPhone
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> On Mar 21, 2020, at 7:50 PM, Kim, Sabrina <Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca<mailto:Sabrina.Kim@pmo-cpm.gc.ca>>
> wrote:
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> Hi there – here is some more info for when you talk to QC:
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> QC put in a request for swabs after not having put in an initial request with us for PPEs. In terms of the #s that they are
> requesting (which is far greater than what other provinces are asking for), it is clear that they’re stockpiling a full year of
> supply. We may have a problem w them & it may be helpful to manage their expectations a bit.
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> DM at Health is talking to other DM counterparts in provinces tonight & tomorrow to assess needs. Minister Hajdu
> also spoke with her FPT counterparts at the political level according to Sabina so she or Matt may have some more intel
> for you.
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> Matt had also raised a good point that we can probably expect QC (and perhaps some other provinces) to publicly say
> in the media “hey we asked for this stuff and we’re not getting it” and we should be careful about what we say in
> response. Minister Hajdu had also raised the QC issue yesterday before the daily presser in the prep room.
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> Thanks!
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