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**From:** Media <[media@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:media@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)>  
**Sent:** April 2, 2020 9:12 PM  
**To:** Roy, Cecely (SPAC/PSPC)  
**Subject:** RE: For MO approval: Media Response / Tier 1 - COVID-19 - Ordering Equipment from China / Agence France Presse

Cecely,

To confirm, the flight arrived last night, so yesterday, Wednesday, April 1? Is that right?

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Here is the approved answer, thank you!

Canada has an agreement with Bolloré Logistics to provide transportation, receiving, inspection and warehousing services. As part of this agreement, Bolloré Logistics organizes the transportation of personal protective equipment (PPE) purchased by the Government of Canada from China. This will be an ongoing process as orders are ready to be shipped to Canada.

The first flight organized by Bolloré arrived in Toronto last night with essential goods, including PPE. This signals the arrival of some of the additional orders for goods needed to combat COVID-19.

On Apr 2, 2020, at 11:17 AM, Media <[media@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:media@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)> wrote:

Emily, Cecely,

For your approval please. [New info.](#)

Thank you,

Michèle

**Media Response****Agence France Presse****Lemieux, Jacques (Agence France Presse)****Date call received: March-31-20 at 1:10 PM****Deadline: March-31-20 at 5:00 PM (awaiting our response as soon as possible)****Tier 1 - COVID-19 - Ordering Equipment from China**

**BACKGROUND:** The reporter is seeking confirmation of information from the French company Bolloré, which is set to deliver medical equipment from China via 15 flights beginning on April 2, 2020.

He would like the information as soon as possible, since he mentioned that Agence France-Presse (AFP) provides an essential service as an international news agency.

**VALUE STATEMENT:** As part of the Government of Canada's whole-of-government response to COVID-19, Public Service and Procurement Canada, in collaboration with the Public Health Agency of Canada and Health Canada, is leading efforts to purchase equipment, supplies and services needed for the response is leading the efforts to get the equipment and supplies needed for the response.

**QUESTIONS / ANSWER:**

**Q1. Do you have any details on this operation, such as the type of equipment, schedule, etc.?**

**Q2. Is the first flight scheduled to land in Toronto on April 2?**

**A1-2:** Canada has an arrangement with Bolloré Logistics to provide transportation, receiving, inspection and warehousing services. As part of this arrangement, Bolloré Logistics is arranging transportation from China of personal protective equipment purchased by the Government of Canada. This will be an on-going process as shipments are ready for movement to Canada.