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Dear Mr Mullighan

**APPLICATION UNDER THE *FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1991***

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (FOI Act), dated 3 January 2020.

Your application seeks access to:

*"All minutes, briefings and correspondence titled 'Visit to China by Public Sector Executives' as described on the Objective document management system, between 17 July 2019 and 3 January 2020."*

The legislative prescribed timeframe to determine this application has expired and is now deemed to have refused you access to all documents relevant to your application. I refer to my letter dated 22 January 2020 where I sought additional time to make my determination.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of my determination. An extensive search was conducted within this office. A total of 1 document was identified as answering the terms of your application.

I grant you access in part to 1 document; a copy of which is enclosed.

I have determined to release the briefing in part, removing the Commissioner's mobile number and personal address, which if released, would be an unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs. I have determined to exempt this information pursuant to clause 6(1).

## Exemption

### Clause 6 – Documents affecting personal affairs

- (1) *A document is an exempt document if it contains matter the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person.*

Please note, in compliance with Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045 - *Disclosure Logs for Non-Personal Information Released through Freedom of Information* (PC045), the Department of Treasury and Finance is now required to publish a log of all non-personal information released under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*.

In accordance with this Circular, any non-personal information determined for release as part of this application, may be published on the DTF website. A copy of PC045 can be found at the following address: <https://dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>. Please visit the website for further information.

As I am determining this application as Principal Officer, Section 29(6) of the Act does not provide for an internal review. If you are dissatisfied with my determination you are entitled to exercise your rights of external review with the Ombudsman.

Alternatively, you can apply to the South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal. If you wish to seek a review, Section 39(3) of the Act states you must do so within 30 calendar days of receiving the determination.

If you require any further information, please contact Vicky Cathro on 8226 9769.

Yours sincerely



**Hon Rob Lucas MLC**  
*Principal Officer*

11 March 2020

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Government of South Australia

Office of the Commissioner  
for Public Sector Employment

MINUTES forming ENCLOSURE to

File: OCPSE19/0113PT001

Reg: OCPSE19D00201

TO: THE TREASURER

SUBJECT: VISIT TO CHINA BY PUBLIC SECTOR EXECUTIVES

#### PURPOSE

To advise you in your capacity as the Minister responsible for the Public Sector about the upcoming visit to China by 25 public sector employees.

#### BACKGROUND

- *The Shandong-South Australian Public Sector Staff Exchange Program* is an initiative under the 33 year strong sister state relationship between the Shandong Provincial Government and the Government of South Australia. The program aims to deliver an annual exchange of senior public sector employees from both Governments, with the aim of building a deeper understanding of how to engage and do business with each other, as well as an enhanced appreciation of business opportunities that may exist.
- Since the signing of the original *Shandong-South Australian Public Sector Staff Exchange Program MOU* in 2016, the program (known as *China Connect*) has delivered three annual visits to Shandong and China for over 30 senior South Australian Government officials to understand critical issues in effective engagement with Shandong and China and to be better enablers to maximise effective key stakeholder relations.
- Shandong has also organised several civil servant exchange delegations to South Australia to learn from its experience in the areas of elderly care, environmental protection and new-type urbanisation and to boost exchanges between counterpart agencies, with substantial results achieved. Consequently, the Memorandum of Understanding was renewed in November 2019, with the Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment as signatory.

#### DISCUSSION

- This year, the *Shandong-South Australian Public Sector Staff Exchange Program* has been incorporated into the 2019 *Executive Excellence Program* - a leadership development program for high performing executives from across the South Australian Public Sector.
- The exchange visit to Shandong and Shanghai is scheduled from 12-19 October 2019 (see the attached draft program for details).
- Twenty three executives from across the South Australian Public Sector are anticipated to attend, along with two staff from the Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment to provide program oversight and on-ground support (see attached participant list).


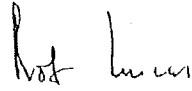
- Participants will represent South Australia at the inaugural *Shandong International Friendship Cities Conference for Cooperation and Development*.
- The Premier is unable to attend the *Shandong International Friendship Cities Conference for Cooperation and Development*; and the Head of Delegation will deliver a speech on the Premier's behalf.
- The Premier will be travelling to Shandong in the following week.
- The total cost for the seven day visit is anticipated at \$85, 000, with each participant's agency funding their participation. As a gesture of goodwill, the Provincial Government of Shandong will contribute the airfares and accommodation for six participants to participate in the *Shandong International Friendship Cities Conference for Cooperation and Development*.
- Should you have any queries, please contact me on [REDACTED] or [erma.ranieri@sa.gov.au](mailto:erma.ranieri@sa.gov.au).

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that you:

- Note the upcoming visit to China by 25 South Australian Public Sector employees as part of the *Shandong-South Australian Public Sector Staff Exchange Program*
- Note that participants will be representing South Australia at the inaugural *Shandong International Friendship Cities Conference for Cooperation and Development*.

**APPROVED/NOT APPROVED/NOTED**

 Erma Ranieri <b>COMMISSIONER FOR PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYMENT</b> 27/9 /2019	 Hon. Rob Lucas MLC <b>TREASURER</b> 6/10 /2019
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**Attachments:**

- Draft Program of 2019 China Visit
- Participant List for 2019 China Visit

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**CHINA CONNECT 2019 – PROGRAM PLANNER**  
**南澳州政府公务员访问团日程**

SUMMARY 概况 12 - 19 October 10月12-19号	SATURDAY 12 OCT 10月12日星期六 Adelaide - Guangzhou - Shanghai	SUNDAY 13 OCT 10月13日星期日 Shanghai	MONDAY 14 OCT 10月14日星期一 Shanghai	TUESDAY 15 OCT 10月15日星期二 Shanghai - Jinan
<p>Saturday, 12 October ADELAIDE &gt; GUANGZHOU 10月12日, 星期六 阿德莱德 - 广州</p> <p>Sunday, 13 October GUANGZHOU &gt; SHANGHAI 10月13日, 星期天 广州 - 上海</p> <p>Monday, 14 October SHANGHAI 10月14日, 星期一 上海</p> <p>Tuesday, 15 October SHANGHAI &gt; JINAN 10月15日, 星期二 上海 - 济南</p> <p>Wednesday, 16 October JINAN 10月16日, 星期三 济南</p> <p>Thursday, 17 October JINAN &gt; QINGDAO 10月17日, 星期四 济南 - 青岛</p> <p>Friday, 18 October QINGDAO &gt; GUANGZHOU &gt; ADELAIDE 10月18日, 星期五 青岛 - 广州 - 阿德莱德</p> <p>Saturday, 19 October 0955 ARRIVE IN ADELAIDE 10月19日, 星期六 0955 到达阿德莱德</p> <p>TIME ZONES (all times in planner are local) 27/09/2019 8:59 AM</p> <p>Contact: Ashleigh Ridley, Senior Project Officer - China Strategy, Dept for Trade, Tourism &amp; Investment</p>	<p>11:20 Depart for Guangzhou on China Southern Airlines Flight CZ684</p> <p>In flight 9h</p> <p>18:05 Arrive Guangzhou</p> <p>抵达广州</p> <p>Overnight in Guangzhou 广州过夜</p>	<p>Guangzhou program 广州日程</p> <p>16:30 Depart for Shanghai on China Eastern Flight</p> <p>In flight 2hr 35min</p> <p>16:45 Arrive Shanghai</p> <p>Dinner</p> <p>Walk to The Bund</p> <p>抵达上海</p> <p>晚餐</p> <p>步行至外滩</p> <p>Overnight in Shanghai 上海过夜</p>	<p>SA Office in Shanghai 南澳州上海办公室</p> <p>Austrade 澳贸委</p> <p>Business meeting 商务会议</p> <p>Supemarket tour / Cultural tour 商超文化体验</p> <p>Dinner 晚餐</p> <p>Overnight in Shanghai 上海过夜</p>	<p>3 hours travel - bullet train to Jinan 3小时旅程 乘高铁至济南</p> <p>Check in hotel / lunch 入住酒店午餐</p> <p>SA Office in Jinan, Shandong Province 南澳州政府济南办公室</p> <p>17:30 - 18:00 Meeting with provincial leaders (be appropriate for China Connect participants attendance) 山东省领导会见 (公务员访问团是否参见待商定)</p> <p>18:15 - 19:45 Welcome Reception - SD Friendship Cities Conference 友城大会欢迎晚宴</p> <p>Overnight in Jinan 济南过夜</p>

时区 (均以当地时间为准)									
中国时间: -2小时 30分钟									

**CHINA CONNECT 2019 – PROGRAM PLANNER**  
**南澳州政府公务员访问团日程**

WEDNESDAY 16 OCT10月16日星期三 Jinan		THURSDAY 17 OCT10月17日星期四 Jinan - Qingdao		FRIDAY 18 OCT10月18日星期五 Qingdao – Guangzhou - Adelaide		SATURDAY 19 OCT10月19日星期六 Adelaide	
08:00 – 11:50	SD Friendship Cities Conference 山东省友城大会  Opening ceremony – followed by - Governors' dialogue - Signing ceremony  开幕式 省长致辞 签约仪式		SD Tour – Qingdao 山东省其他地市-青岛  Transportation organized by SDFAO 交通由山东外办统一安排	Morning	Site visits (TBC) 实地考察	09:40	Arrive Adelaide Clear Customs and immigration (allow 1 hour)  抵达阿德莱德
14:00 – 16:00	Bilateral meetings between friendship Cities 友城双边大会  Or Site visit ( TBC ) 或跟代表团要求安排实地考察	Afternoon	Attending the opening of QD leg of the Conference or site visits – relevance to South Australia ( TBC )  参与青岛友城大会活动或与南澳州事务相关的会议实地考察		Afternoon flight to Guangzhou 下午出发至广州		
	Overnight in Jinan 济南过夜	evening	QD Banquet (TBC) 青岛政府晚宴 ( 待定 )  Overnight in the 待定	22:10	Depart for Guangzhou on China Southern Airlines Flight CZ684 飞离广州 中国南方航空 CZ684  In flight 9h 飞行时间9小时		
					Overnight on plane 飞机上过夜		

27/09/2019 8:59 AM  
 Contact: Ashleigh Ridley, Senior Project Officer - China Strategy, Dept for Trade, Tourism & Investment

## Executive Excellence Program 2019 China Connect Participants

Participant	Role	Agency
<b>Kim-Sherie Summers</b> Head of Delegation	Executive Director, People, Strategy and Systems	Human Services
<b>Ben Wilson</b>	Director Economic Advice	Premier and Cabinet
<b>Emily Strickland</b>	Deputy Ombudsman	Attorney-General's Department
<b>Jane Burton</b>	Director, Secretariat, Board of Treasurers, Budget and Performance	Treasury and Finance
<b>Helen Doyle</b>	Director, Capital Programs and Asset Services	Education
<b>Kelly Tattersall</b>	Director, Service Transfer	Human Services
<b>Daniel Green</b>	Director Finance, Disability and Reform	Human Services
<b>John Evangelista</b>	Director, Traineeship and Apprenticeship Services	Innovation and Skills
<b>Natalie Morris</b>	Director, People and Performance	Innovation and Skills
<b>Diana Tembak</b>	Commercial Director, Innovation and Science	Innovation and Skills
<b>Meredith Hobbs</b>	Divisional Director, Nursing and Midwifery	Health and Wellbeing
<b>Tanya McGregor</b>	Director, Aboriginal Health	Health and Wellbeing
<b>Scott Oster</b>	Project Director	Energy and Mining
<b>Nick Panagopoulos</b>	Deputy Executive Director Energy Resources and Commercial	Energy and Mining
<b>Nick Smith</b>	Director, Energy Programs and Services	Energy and Mining
<b>Natalie Atkinson</b>	A/Executive Director, Clean Energy Transition	Energy and Mining
<b>Jullanne Cirson</b>	Director, Corporate Services	Energy and Mining



<b>Sue Barr</b>	Regional Director North/Interim Executive Director, Out of Home Care	Child Protection
<b>Paul Ralphs</b>	Chief Superintendent, Coordinator - Human Resources Service Executive	Police SA
<b>Ryan Harber</b>	Executive Director, Community Corrections and Specialist Prisons	Corrections
<b>Kathryn Bellette</b>	Director Strategy and Assessment	Environmental Protection Authority
<b>Emma Kokar</b>	A/Executive Director, Road and Marine Services	Planning, Transport & Infrastructure
<b>Nadine Wessel</b>	Director	Planning, Transport & Infrastructure
<b>Tammy Joachin</b>	Project Director, South Australian Leadership Academy	Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment
<b>Tracy Nissen</b>	Senior Leadership Development Consultant	Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment

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