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Mr. Stephen LeClair
Financial Accountability Officer
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Dear Mr. LeClair:

Thank you for your letter dated August 24, 2016, regarding your plan to conduct "*scoping work for a potential project on the Province's business support programs.*"

The Treasury Board Secretariat is providing the Office of the Financial Accountability Officer with the requested information necessary to perform its duties in accordance with subsection 12(1) of the Financial Accountability Officer Act, 2013. Specifically, *Attachment 1: FA1613-01 Information Request* from the FAO specifies the items requested.

In accordance with your request and the discussion between FAO and Treasury Board Secretariat staff on September 8, 2016, Treasury Board is providing items 1, 2, 3, 5 and the majority of information required for item 4. In order to ensure the remaining information is sufficiently finalized to support the FAO's analysis, Treasury Board will provide responses to the remaining components of item 4 on or before September 23, 2016.

Once your office has had the opportunity to review the information, you may find it useful to have further meetings with Treasury Board Secretariat staff. Staff at the Treasury Board Secretariat will be pleased to make themselves available to provide further clarification or answer any additional questions.

Pursuant to Section 12(2) of the Financial Accountability Officer Act and subsection 12(1) of Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, where information cannot be released because it would permit the drawing of accurate inferences with respect to substance of deliberations in Cabinet (ie. the Executive Council) or any of its committees (e.g. Treasury Board/Management Board of Cabinet) such as Cabinet minutes, we have worked with ministries to provide other sources of information that are responsive to your request.

The primary contact to support your work will be Maria Duran-Schneider, Assistant Deputy Minister, Planning & Expenditure Management Division which is responsible for the Business Supports work at the Treasury Board Secretariat. Maria may be contacted directly at Maria.Duran-Schneider@ontario.ca or (416) 326-1213.

The Treasury Board Secretariat is committed to assisting the FAO on its work regarding the Province's business supports program so that it can provide timely and relevant analysis to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

Sincerely,

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