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Honourable J. David Wake
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RE: FAO Information Request FA1613-02h

Dear Mr. Wake:

Thank you for your letter dated February 23, 2017 regarding your request for information to support analysis of the "cost-effectiveness of the Province's business support programs".

The Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development 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.

In accordance with your request the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development is providing responses to questions 1, 2, 3, and 4. Once your office has had the opportunity to review the information, you may find it useful to have further meetings with ministry staff. Staff at the ministry will be pleased to make themselves available to provide further clarification or answer any additional questions you may have.

To support information requested in item 2 a) "Actual Funding for each BSP identified from 2000-01 to 2016-17", we have worked with Ministry of Finance staff to provide the necessary information for actual funding prior to 2012-13 as outlined in the response attached.

The primary contact to support your work for information related to the ministry will be Milena Babic, Corporate Finance and Services Branch, Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development. Milena may be reached directly at Milena.Babic@ontario.ca or (416) 325-2255.

The Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development is committed to assisting the FAO on its work regarding the Province's business supports programs so that it can provide timely and relevant analysis to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

Sincerely,



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