

RE: Public accounts comment

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This looks good. You could also just say that the Minister's comments in the scrum stand.

I'm good either way.

From: Ostergard, Matt (TBS)
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To: @OPO-Media Relations and Issues Management
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I'd like to respond with this statement, based on the Minister's key messages.

" Each year, the Public Accounts are released as part of the Province's commitment to being open and transparent.

Public Accounts are prepared by the Treasury Board Secretariat and then independently audited by the Auditor General.

At this time, there will be a delay in the tabling of Public Accounts due to ongoing discussions between public servants within Government and the Auditor General regarding the accounting relevant to a provision in the Public Accounts.

Officials are working hard to finalize the documents and I have directed senior Treasury Board officials to work with the Office of the Auditor General to develop a plan to finalize and table the Public Accounts as soon as possible.

I am pleased to say that we are on track to meet our deficit targets."

Any concerns?

Matt

From: Ostergard, Matt (TBS)
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Just got this from QP briefing. Working on a response.

Matt

From: Nanji, Sabrina [<mailto:snanji@qpbriefing.com>]
Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2016 12:37 PM

To: Ostergard, Matt (TBS)
Subject: Public accounts comment

Hey Matt,

Quick post scrum follow up on public accounts – can you provide any more information on what the outstanding accounting issues are? What would resolve the issue? Is the issue that there is a discrepancy between government accountants' numbers and the AG's? I understand it's complex but hoping for a little more explanation.

Thanks!

Sabrina

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