

FW: Draft PER statement

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Just FYI – changes being recommended to MO on the PER statement

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Hi, all,

Thank you for your support today in reviewing and providing recommendations on the draft Ministers' statement on the PER. I have attached a track-change copy of the version I provided to our Minister's Office a moment ago. I also set out our advice to MO and PO as follows:

I have attached the revised statement, which includes input and approval from OPCD, TBS DM, TBS Communications, MOF DM, Office of the Budget, MENE DM and MENE Communications. You will note that the track changes are all tagged with attribution to me or Dane—we have worked to roll up everyone's input and approvals, which were received through a variety of emails this afternoon and evening.

The revisions reflected in the track changes capture some critical factual concerns about the accuracy of the AG's conclusion about the province's books, as well as the positioning of the FTAA. The group perceived the language around the AG's verification of the books somewhat misleading, without the greater context of the two ongoing accounting disputes. And, although Ontario was the first jurisdiction in Canada to introduce a pre-election report and currently remains one of only a few, it's not accurate to state that the FTAA was the first or only legislation of its kind (Nova Scotia and Quebec have similar legal instruments in place).

Our collective recommendation is to incorporate the recommended changes into the final statement issued by the ministers, to ensure an accurate picture of the issues is presented and to mitigate the risk of introducing inaccurate information into the public discussion.

I will be online this evening in case there are further developments on the statement and any other products. Additionally, I am finalising the media QAs and HBN and will kick those into approvals shortly. Your respective offices will be engaged.

Regards,

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