

Report to Parliament

Trade Mission to United Arab
Emirates, Singapore, People's
Republic of China and Japan

15 September – 1 October 2013

The Honourable Campbell Newman MP

Premier of Queensland

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MISSION PROGRAM

Premier's Trade Mission to United Arab Emirates (UAE),
Singapore, China and Japan

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Times in bold indicates local time

Times in normal font indicates Brisbane time

Abu Dhabi 6 hours behind Brisbane
Dubai 6 hours behind Brisbane
Singapore 2 hours behind Brisbane
Beijing 2 hours behind Brisbane
Shanghai 2 hours behind Brisbane
Tokyo 1 hour behind Brisbane

Sunday 15 September 2013 – Brisbane/Abu Dhabi

6:00pm	Depart Brisbane for Melbourne (Last minute flight change) Virgin Australia Intl Flight Travel time: 2 h 15 m
8.15pm	Arrive Melbourne
	<i>Flight delayed out of Melbourne</i>
9:50pm	Depart Melbourne for Abu Dhabi Etihad Airways Flight Travel time: 14 h 50 m
Overnight	In transit

Monday 16 September 2013 – Abu Dhabi

8.45am 2.45pm	Arrive Abu Dhabi
am	Transfer to Hotel - vehicles provided by Etihad
am	Jumeirah at Etihad Towers Corniche Street West Abu Dhabi Tel: +971 2 811 5555
6:40am – 11:50am 12:40pm – 5:50pm	Liaison time

12.10am 6.10pm	Proceed to Function Room
12:15pm – 12:30pm 6:15pm - 6:30pm	Introduction to His Excellency Nasser Ahmed Alsowaidi, Chairman of the Department of Economic Development and co-signatory of the MOU Venue: Chairman's Suite, Jumeirah at Etihad Towers Hotel Delegates: No
12:30pm – 2:30pm 6:30pm – 8:30pm	Reception hosted by His Excellency Nassar Ahmed Alsowaidi, Chairman, Department of Economic Development Venue: Mazzoon Ballroom, Jumeirah at Etihad Towers Hotel Delegates: Yes
2.30pm – 3.00pm 8.30pm – 9.00pm	Meeting with HE Pablo Kang, Australian Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates Venue: Chairman's Suite, Jumeirah at Etihad Towers Hotel Delegates: No
3:00pm – 4:20pm 9:00pm – 10:20pm	Liaison time
4:20pm – 4:50pm 10:20pm – 10:50pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 30 m
5:00pm – 5:30pm 11:00pm – 11:30pm	Meeting with His Highness General Sheikh Mohamed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces Venue: The Sea Palace Delegates: No
5.30pm -7.30pm 11.30pm – 1.30am (Tues 17 th)	Return to hotel – liaison time
7:30pm – 9:30pm 1:30am – 3:30am Tuesday	Informal dinner Venue: Beirut Restaurant, Jumeirah at Etihad Towers Hotel Delegates: Yes
Overnight	Jumeirah at Etihad Towers Abu Dhabi

Tuesday 17 September 2013 – Abu Dhabi

am	Liaison time
7:45am – 8:00am 1:45pm – 2:00pm	Depart hotel for next meeting Travel time: 0 h 15 m
8:00am – 9:00am 2:00pm – 3:30pm	Meeting with Dr Mugheer Khamis Al Khaili, Director General, Abu Dhabi Education Council (ADEC) Venue: ADEC Headquarters Delegates: Yes
9:00am 3:00pm	Travel to next meeting
9.10am – 10:00am 3.10pm – 4:00pm	Meeting with Jones Lang La Salle, UAE who will provide presentation on local and foreign investment markets/interest. Venue: Park Rotana Delegates: Yes
10:00am – 12:00noon 4:00pm - 6:00pm	Return to hotel - liaison time
12:00noon – 12.30pm 6:00pm – 6.30pm	Meeting with His Excellency Majid Al Mansouri, Chairman, Department of Municipal Affairs and member of the Executive Council of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi Venue: Abu Dhabi Department of Municipal Affairs Delegates: Yes
12.30pm – 1:40pm 6.30pm – 7:40pm	Depart for Hyatt Capital Gate Hotel – lunch privately
1:45pm – 2:45pm 7:45pm – 8:45pm	Meeting with Dr Nassar Saif Al-Monsoori, Chief Executive Officer, Etihad Rail Venue: Hyatt Capital Gate Delegates: Yes
2:45pm – 3:05pm 8:45pm – 9:05pm	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 20 m
3:05pm – 3:50pm 9:05pm – 9:50pm	Liaison time
3:50pm – 4:00pm 9:50pm – 10:00pm	Proceed to function room Travel time: 0 h 10 m

4:00pm – 5:30pm

10:00pm – 11:30pm

Queensland Government Reception

Venue: Observation Deck, Jumeirah at Etihad Towers Hotel

Delegates: Yes

5:30pm

11:30pm

Travel to Dubai

Travel time: 2 h 0 m

7:30pm

1:30am Wednesday

Hotel check In

Grand Hyatt
Al Riyadh Street
Dubai

8:15pm

2:15am Wednesday

Travel to dinner

Travel time: 1 h 0 m

8:30pm

2:30am Wednesday

Cruise on charter boat for official party and business delegates hosted by Mr Akram Miknas

Delegates: Yes

11:00pm

5:00am Wednesday

Return to hotel

Travel time: 0 h 45 m

Overnight

Grand Hyatt Dubai Hotel
PO Box 7978
Dubai, United Arab Emirates,

Wednesday 18 September 2013 – Dubai

8:30am

2:30pm

Depart for meeting

Travel time: 0 h 30 m

9:00am – 10:00am

3:00pm – 4:00pm

Meeting with His Excellency Mattar Al Tayer, Chairman, Dubai Roads and Transport Authority (RTA)

Venue: RTA Offices

Delegates: Yes

10:45am – 11:45am

4:45pm – 5:45pm

Condolences offered to His Highness Dr Shaikh Sultan Bin Mohammad Al Qasimi, Supreme Council Member and Ruler of Sharjah Shaikha Alia Bint Mohammad Bin Saqr Al Qasimi

11:45am – 12:15pm

5:45pm – 6:15pm

Visit to and meeting with Dr Omar Jaffar, Co-Founder and Chairman of the Board, Australian International School, Sharjah

Venue: Australian International School, Maliha to Kalba Road, Sharjah

Delegates: Yes

12:15pm – 12.45pm 6:15pm – 6.45pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 25 m
12.45pm – 1:15pm 6.45pm – 7:15pm	Meeting with The Education Minister Humaid Mohammed Al-Qutaimi
1:30pm – 2:00pm 7:30pm – 8:00pm	Meeting with HE Mohammed Al Shaibani, the Deputy Head of the World Expo 2020 Higher Committee
	Venue: ICD Offices at DIFC, Gate Village 7, Level 6 Delegates: Yes
2:00pm – 2:30pm 8:00pm – 8:30pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 25 m
2:30pm – 4:00pm 8:30pm – 10:00pm	Lunch meeting with Mr Alan Leibman, CEO and Mr Serge Zaalof, President and Managing Director, Atlantis the Palm
	Venue: Atlantis the Palm Hotel Delegates: No
4:00pm 10:00pm	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 30 m
4:30pm 10:30pm	Liaison time
5:00pm – 5:15pm 11:00pm – 11:15pm	Travel to reception Travel time: 0 h 15 m
5:30pm – 7:30pm 11:30pm – 1:30am Thursday	Queensland Government Reception for Dubai based Key Clients and Stakeholders.
	Venue: Kris with a View Room, 19 th Floor, Park Regis Kris Kin Hotel Delegates: Yes
7:30pm – 7:45pm 1:30am – 1:45am Thursday	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 15 m
Overnight	Grand Hyatt Dubai Hotel PO Box 7978 Dubai, United Arab Emirates, Tel: +971 4 317 1234, Fax: +971 4 317 1235

Thursday 19 September 2013 – Dubai/Singapore

5:15am 11:15am	Check out of Hotel
5:30am 11:30am	Depart for Dubai International Airport
5:45am 11:45am	Arrive at Airport
7:45am 1:45pm	Depart Dubai for Singapore via Colombo Emirates Flight EK348 Travel time: 4 h 20 m
1:35pm 6:05pm	Arrive Colombo
3:05pm 7:35pm	Depart Colombo for Singapore Emirates Flight EK348 Travel time: 4 h 0 m
9:35pm 11:35pm	Arrive Singapore Changi Airport Met on arrival by Mr Philip Green, Australian High Commissioner to Singapore
10:15pm 12:15am Friday	Transfer to Hotel with High Commissioner Travel time: 0 h 30 m Briefing to be conducted en route
10:45pm 12:45am Friday	Arrive hotel and check in
Overnight	The St Regis Singapore 29 Tanglin Road Singapore 247911 Contact: Gabriel Ng, Director of Sales Tel: +65 6506 6805, Mob: +65 8328 0381

Friday 20 September 2013 – Singapore

7:00am – 7:30am 9:30am – 9:45am	Depart hotel for Breakfast Travel time: 0 h 15 m
7:30am – 9:00am 9:30am – 11:00am	Breakfast meeting with the Australian Chamber of Commerce (AustCham) Singapore
Premier arrives at 7:45am (9:45am)	Venue: The Straits Room, 4 th Floor, The Fullerton Hotel, Fullerton Square Delegates: Yes
9:00am – 9:15am 11:00am – 11:15am	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 15 m

9:30am – 10:00am 11:30am – 12:00noon	Meeting with Mr Tony Davies, Executive Director, Citi Private Bank to discuss investment
	Venue: Diplomat Room, St Regis Hotel Delegates: No
10:15am – 10:30am 12:15pm – 12:30pm	Media Interview with Channel News Asia
	Venue: St Regis Hotel
10:30am – 12:00noon 12:30noon – 2:00pm	Liaison time
12:00noon – 12:15pm 2:00pm – 2:15pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 10 m
12:30pm – 2:15pm 2:30pm – 4:15pm	Tourism Investment Attraction Lunch hosted by His Excellency Mr Philip Green OAM, Australian High Commissioner to Singapore
	Venue: High Commissioner's Residence, 9 White House Park, Singapore Delegates: Sector relevant
2:15pm – 2:30pm 4:15pm – 4:30pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 15 m
2:30pm – 3:30pm 4:30pm – 5:30pm	Site visit to Biopolis – Research and Development Centre for Biomedical Science
	Venue: Building Matrix, 30 Biopolis Street, Singapore Delegates: Yes
3:30pm – 3:50pm 5:30m – 5:50pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 20 m subject to traffic
4:00pm – 5:00pm 6:00pm – 7:00pm	Meeting with Dr Ng Eng Hen, Minister for Defence, Singapore
	Venue: Ministry of Defence Delegates: No
5:00pm – 5:30pm 7:00pm – 7:30pm	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 30 m
5:30pm – 6:30pm 7:30pm – 8:30pm	Liaison time
6:45pm 8:45pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 15 m

7:00pm – 9:30pm
9:00pm – 11:30pm

**Dinner hosted by His Excellency Mr Philip Green
OAM, Australian High Commissioner to Singapore,
targeting existing investors into Queensland and key
clients**

Venue: High Commissioner's Residence, 9 White Horse Park,
Singapore
Delegates: No

9:30pm – 9:45pm
11:30pm – 11:45pm

Return to hotel
Travel time: 0 h 10 m

Overnight

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29 Tanglin Road, Singapore 247911
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Tel: +65 6506 6805, Mob: +65 8328 0381

Saturday 21 September 2013 – Singapore/Beijing

8:00am – 9:15am
10:00am – 11:15am

**Breakfast meeting with Ms Ho Ching, Executive
Director and Chief Executive Officer of Temasek
Holdings (Private) Limited**

Venue: Governor Room, Level 1, St Regis Hotel
Delegates: No

9:15am – 10:45am
11:15am – 12:45pm

Liaison time

10:45am – 11:00am
12:45pm – 1:00pm

Check out of hotel

11:00am – 11:15am
1:00pm – 1:15pm

Travel to next meeting
Travel time: 0 h 10 m

11:15am – 12:00noon
1:15pm – 2:00pm

**Meeting with Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Deputy
Prime Minister and Minister for Finance**

Venue: Magnolia Room, Shangri-la Hotel Singapore, 22
Orange Grove Rd Singapore
Delegates: No

12:00noon – 12:30pm
2:00pm – 2:30pm

Travel to next meeting
Travel time: 0 h 15 m

12:30pm – 2:00pm
2:30pm – 4:00pm

Informal lunch at Marina Bay Sands Singapore

Venue: South Coast Restaurant, #01-85 Marina Bay Sands
Shoppes
Delegates: Yes

2:00pm – 2:45pm **Site visit to Marina Bay Sands Singapore**
4:00pm – 4:45pm

All delegates

Venue: Marina Bay Sands Singapore
Delegates: Yes

2:45pm
4:45pm

Transfer to Airport
Travel time: 0 h 30 m

3:15pm
5:15pm

Arrive Airport and check in
Proceed to Silver Kris Business Lounge

4:50pm
6:50pm

Depart Singapore for Beijing
Singapore Airlines Flight SQ806
Travel time: 6 h 10 m

11:00pm
1:00am Sunday

Arrive Beijing

11:30pm
1:30am Sunday

Depart for hotel
Travel time: 0 h 25 m

11:55pm
1:55am Sunday

Arrive hotel and check-in

Overnight

China World Hotel Beijing
No.1 Jianguomenwai Avenue
☐Tel: 8610 6505 2266
Fax: 86 10 6505 0828

Sunday 22 September 2013 – Beijing

10:00am – 12:00noon
12:00noon – 2:00pm

Depart for Great Wall
Travel time: 2 h 0 m approx

12:00noon – 2:00pm
2:00pm – 4:00pm

Great Wall visit

Visit the Great Wall of China
Delegates: Yes - optional

2:00pm – 4:00pm
4:00pm – 6:00pm

Depart Great Wall of China
Travel time: 2 h 0 m approx

4:00pm
6:00pm

Arrive at hotel

4:00pm – 5:00pm
6:00pm – 7:00pm

Liaison time

5:30pm – 6:00pm
7:30pm – 8:00pm

Briefing by Her Excellency Ms Frances Adamson, Australian Ambassador to the People's Republic of China for Premier and official party

Venue: Conference Room, 20th Horizon Floor (Executive
Floor Lounge), China World Hotel

6:15pm

Depart for informal dinner

8:15pm	Travel time: 0 h 45 m
7:00pm – 8:30pm 9:00pm – 10:30pm	Informal Dinner with Business Delegates
Confirmed	Venue: Pingyue Tea House, A12 Wanshou Road, Wanshou Hotel, Level B1
9:15pm 11:15pm	Arrive at hotel
Overnight	China World Hotel Beijing No.1 Jianguomenwai Avenue ☐Tel: 8610 6505 2266 Fax: 86 10 6505 0828

Monday 23 September 2013 – Beijing

7.30am – 9:00am 9.30am – 11:00am	Global Mining Association of China Breakfast briefing
	Venue: Grand Ballroom, Level 1, China World Hotel, Beijing Delegates: Yes
9:00am – 9:45am 11:00am – 11:45am	Liaison time
9:45am 11:45am	Depart for next meeting Travel time: 0 h 30 m
10:15am – 11:00am 12:15noon – 1:00pm	Meeting with Mr Ma Jianping, Vice President, China National Cereals Oils and Foodstuffs Corporation (COFCO)
	Venue: 8 Chaoyangmen South Street Delegates: No
11:00am 1:00pm	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 15 m
11:15am – 11:45am 1:15am – 1:45pm	Liaison time
11:45am 1:45pm	Proceed to function room
12:00noon – 1:30pm 2:00pm – 3:30pm	Queensland Government Lunch Function
	Venue: Grand Ballroom, Ballroom D, Level 1, China World Hotel Delegates: Yes
1:30pm 3:30pm	Return to hotel room
1:30pm – 3:20pm 3:30pm – 5:20pm	Liaison time

3:30pm 5:30pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 30 m
4:00pm – 5:00pm 6:00pm – 7:00pm	Meeting with His Excellency Wang Yang, Vice Premier of China Venue: Ziguangge, Zhongnanhai Delegates: No
5:00pm 7:00pm	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 30 m
5:30pm 7:30pm	Liaison time
6:15pm 8:15pm	Proceed to dinner
6:30pm – 8:30pm 8:30pm – 10:30pm	Dinner with major Chinese investors Venue: Function Room 1, Arcade Level, China World Hotel Delegates: Selected delegates
Overnight	China World Hotel Beijing No.1 Jianguomenwai Avenue ☐Tel: 8610 6505 2266 Fax: 86 10 6505 0828

Tuesday 24 September 2013 – Beijing/Shanghai

8:45am 10:45am	Hotel check out
9:00am 11:00am	Transfer to airport Travel time: 0 h 45 m
9:45am 11:45am	Arrive airport and check-in
11:00am 1:00pm	Depart Beijing for Shanghai China East Flight MU5108 Travel time: 1 h 55 m
1:05pm 3:05pm	Arrive Shanghai
1:45pm 3:45pm	Depart for hotel Travel time: 0 h 45 m
2:30pm 4:30pm	Arrive hotel and check in
2:30pm – 3:00pm 4:30pm – 5:00pm	Liaison time

3:00pm – 3:30pm 5:00pm – 5:30pm	Late Lunch meeting with Mr Andrew Hogg, General Manager – China, Qantas
	Venue: Westin Bund Centre Delegates: No
3:30pm – 4:30pm 5:30pm – 6:30pm	Meeting with Mr Ji Changqun, President, Fullshare Group
	Venue: Level 2, Jacinth Room, Westin Bund Centre Delegates: No
4:30pm – 5:30pm 6:30pm – 7:30pm	Liaison time
5:30pm 7:30pm	Depart for next meeting
6:00pm 8:00pm	Meeting with His Excellency Mr Yang Xiong, Mayor of Shanghai Municipal Government and renewal of the 10th Memorandum of Agreed Cooperation with Shanghai as a Sister State
	Venue: Shanghai Government Building, 100 Renmin Avenue, Shanghai Delegates: No
6:30pm 8:30pm	Dinner Function hosted by Shanghai Government to welcome The Honourable Campbell Newman MP, Premier of Queensland
	Venue: Shanghai Government Building, 100 Renmin Avenue, Shanghai Delegates: No
7:30pm – 8:00pm 9:30pm – 10:00pm	Return to hotel
Overnight	The Westin Bund Center 88 Henan Central Road, Shanghai Tel: 8621 6335 1888 Fax: 8621 6335 2888

Wednesday 25 September 2013 – Shanghai/Tokyo (Guest of Government Program)

7:30am – 9:00am 9:30am – 11:00am	Australian Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai (Austcham) Breakfast Briefing
	Venue: Level 3, Diamond 1, Westin Bund Centre, Shanghai Delegates: Yes
9:00am – 9:30am 11:00am – 11:30am	Liaison time
9:30am	Depart hotel for next meeting

11:30am	Travel time: 0 h 30 m
10:00am – 11:00am 12:00noon – 1:00pm	Visit to Shanghai Ceramics Institute and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signing
Confirmed	Venue: Shanghai Ceramics Institute, Chinese Academy of Science, Boardroom, 1295 Dingxi Road, Shanghai Delegates: Yes
11:00am – 11:30am 1:00pm – 1:30pm	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 30 m
11:30am – 12:00noon 1:00pm – 2:00pm	Liaison time
12:00noon – 1:30pm 2:00pm – 3:30pm	Queensland Government Reception, Shanghai
	Venue: Diamond 1, Level 3, The Westin Bund Centre Delegates: Yes
1:30pm – 2:15pm 3:30pm – 4:15pm	Liaison time
2:15pm 4:15pm	Check out of hotel
2:30pm 4:30pm	Travel to Pudong International Airport Travel time: 1 h 0 m
3:30pm 5:30pm	Arrive Airport, VIP check in and guide to VIP Lounge
5:00pm 7:00pm	Depart Shanghai for Tokyo All Nippon Flight NH960 Travel time: 2 h 55 m
8:55pm 9:55pm	Arrive Tokyo
9:30pm – 10:30pm 10:30pm – 11:30pm	Depart for hotel Travel time: 1 h 0 m
10:30pm – 10:45pm 11:30pm – 11:45pm	Arrive hotel and check in
Overnight	Imperial Hotel Tokyo 1-1, Uchisaiwai-cho 1-chome Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8558 Tel: +81 3 3504 1111

Thursday 26 September 2013 – Tokyo (Guest of Government Program)

9:00am - 9:30am 10:00am – 10:30am	Breakfast briefing by His Excellency Mr Bruce Miller, Australian Ambassador to Japan Venue: Imperial Hotel Delegates: No
9:30am – 9:45am 10:30am – 10:45am	Liaison time
9:45am – 10:55am 10:45am – 11:55am	Depart for Kawasaki Travel time: 1 h 10 m approx
11:00am - 11:30am 12:00noon – 12:30pm	Meeting with Mr Takao Abe, Mayor of Kawasaki City Venue: Kawasaki City Government Building, Kawasaki City, 1 Miyamoto-cho, Kawasaki-ku, Kawasaki City, Kanagawa Prefecture 210-8577 Delegates: No
11:30am – 11:40am 12:30pm – 12:40pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 10 m
11:40pm – 12:30pm 12:40pm – 1:30pm	Lunch hosted by JFE Steel Executives at JFE owned traditional Japanese restaurant Enyuso Venue: 9-8 Minamicho, Kawasaki-Ku, Kawasaki-shi, Kanagawa Prefecture 210-0015
12:30pm – 1:00pm 1:30pm – 2:00pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 30 m
1:00pm - 3:30pm 2:00pm – 4:30pm	Briefing by Mr Eiji Hayashida, President and Chief Executive Officer, JFE Steel Corporation and Site visit of JFE Steel East Japan Works Venue: 1-1 Ohgishima, Kawasaki-Ku, Kawasaki-shi, Kanagawa Prefecture 210-0868 Gift: No
3:30pm – 3:45pm 4:30pm – 4:45pm	Courtesy bus ride to next site visit Travel time: 0 h 10 m
3:45pm - 4:45pm 4:45pm – 5:45pm	Site Visit to Tokyo Gas Ohgishima LNG Import Terminal at Tokyo Harbour – BG Group / Tokyo Gas Venue: 4-1 Ohgishima, Tsurumi-ku, Yokohama City, Kanagawa Prefecture 230-0055 Delegates: Yes
4:45pm – 6:00pm 5:45pm – 7:00pm	Return to hotel Travel time: 1 h 15 m

6:00pm – 7:10pm
7:00pm – 8:10pm

Liaison time

7:10pm – 7:30pm
8:10pm – 8:30pm

Depart for dinner
Travel time: 0 h 15-20 m

7:30pm – 9:00pm
8:30pm – 10:00pm

Dinner hosted by Mr Kiyoshi Ueda, Governor of Saitama Prefecture

Venue: Tofuya Ukai, Japanese tofu restaurant, 4-4-13 Shiba Koen, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-0011
Delegates: No

Overnight

Imperial Hotel Tokyo
1-1, Uchisaiwai-cho 1-chome
Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8558
Tel: +81 3 3504 1111
Fax: +81 3 3581 9146

Friday 27 September 2013 – Tokyo (Guest of Government Program)

8:00am – 9:00am
9:00am – 10:00am

Breakfast Meeting with Mr Ichiro Aisawa and members, Japan – Australia Parliamentary Friendship League

Venue: Level 4, Momo, Imperial Hotel

9:00am-9:40am
10:00am – 10:40am

Liaison time

9:40am-10:10am
10:40am – 10:30am

Travel to next meeting
Travel time: 0 h 30 m

10:10am – 10:30am
11:10am – 11:30am

Meeting with Ms Yukari Sato, Parliamentary Vice Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

*Interpreter is not required.

Venue: METI building

10:30am – 11:00am
11:30am – 12:00noon

Travel to next meeting
Travel time: 0 h 30 m

11:00am – 11:45am
12:00noon – 12:45pm

Meeting with Mr Satoshi Miyamoto, Vice Chairman and President, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO)

Venue: Jetro Headquarters, Ark Mori Building, 1-12-32 Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo 107-6006
Delegates: No

11:45am – 12:00noon 12:45pm – 1:00pm	Depart for The Capitol Hotel Tokyu Travel time: 0 h 15 m
12:00noon – 12:30pm 1:00pm – 1:30pm	Liaison time at The Capitol Hotel Tokyu
12:30pm – 2:00pm 1:30pm – 3:00pm	Lunch meeting with Mr Shunichi Suzuki, Parliamentary Senior Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan Venue: Restaurant "Suiten" The Capitol Hotel Tokyu, 2-10-3 Nagato-cho, Chiyoda-ky, Tokyo 100-0014 Delegates: No
2:00pm – 2:30pm 3:00pm – 3:30pm	Liaison time at The Capitol Hotel Tokyu
2:30pm – 3:00pm 3:30pm – 4:00pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 30 m
3:00pm – 3:30pm 4:00pm – 4:30pm	Meeting with Mr Hiroshi Watanabe, CEO and Executive Managing Director of Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) Venue: JBIC Headquarters, 1-4-1 Ohtemachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8144 Delegates: No
3:30pm – 4:00pm 4:30pm – 5:00pm	A short-speaking opportunity at JBIC Seminar as a part of the program for Queensland business delegates) addressing over 100 Japanese companies Venue: JBIC Headquarters, 1-4-1 Ohtemachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8144 Delegates: Yes
4:00pm – 4:15pm 5:00pm – 5:15pm	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 10 m
4:15pm – 6:10pm 6:15pm – 7:10pm	Liaison time
6:10pm – 6:25pm 7:10pm – 7:25pm	Interview by Nikkei Venue: The Salon, Imperial Hotel, 5 th Floor
6:30pm – 8:30pm 7:30pm – 9:30pm	Queensland Government Reception, Tokyo Venue: Miyabi-Nishiki Room, 3 rd Floor, The Imperial Hotel, 1-1-1 Uchisaiwai-cho, Cihiyoda-Ku, Tokyo 100-8558 Delegates: Yes

Overnight

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Saturday 28 September 2013 – Tokyo (Guest of Government Program)

9:00am – 6:15pm
 10:00am – 7:15pm

Cultural Activities Organised as part of the Guest of Government Program:-

Nagoya:-

9:13am Depart Tokyo Station by Shinkansen Nozomi 321 (bullet train)

10:54am Arrive in Nagoya Station, picked up by Sekisui House

11:00am-1.00pm Sekisui House briefing and lunch hosted by Mr Isami Wada, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Sekisui House Ltd

Venue: Nagoya Kanko Hotel (5 mins from Nagoya Station)
 19-30, Nishiki 1-chome, Naka-ku, Nagoya-shi, Aichi,
 Japan, 460-8608

1:00pm Depart for JR Central Nagoya Rail Museum

2:00pm Tour Japan Rail Museum

3:30pm Depart for Nagoya Castle on the way back to Nagoya Station

4:32pm Arrive Nagoya Station and depart for Tokyo by bullet train 32

6:13pm Arrive in Tokyo and proceed to Imperial Hotel

Delegates: Yes

Dinner

Own arrangements

Overnight

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Sunday 29 September 2013 – Tokyo

10:00am
 11:00am

Depart hotel for Akihabara (Tokyo's discount electronics store district)

12:00noon
 1:00pm

Return to hotel
 Travel time: TBC

pm

Private lunch

pm

Liaison time

5:50pm
 6:50pm

Proceed to dinner venue
 Travel time: 0 h 10 m

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Private dinner meeting with Mr Yoshitaro Iwasaki,

7:00pm – 9:00pm

President, Iwasaki Group

Venue: Nadaman Restaurant, B1F Imperial Hotel,
Delegates: No

Overnight

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Monday 30 September 2013 – Tokyo (Guest of Government Program)/Brisbane

7:50am – 7:55am

8:50am – 8:55am

Travel to next meeting

Travel time: 0 h 5 m

8:00am – 9:00am

9:00am – 10:00am

**Breakfast meeting with Mr Hideki Kikuyama, Senior
Managing Executive Officer and Senior Executives,
Japan Airlines**

Venue: Les Saisons, Mezzanine, Imperial Hotel
Delegates: No

9:00am – 9:40am

10:00am – 10:40am

Liaison time

9:40am – 10:00am

10:40am – 11:00am

Travel to next meeting

Travel time: 0 h 15 m

10:00am - 10:30am

11:00am – 11:30am

**Meeting with Mr Akio Mimura, Chairman, Japan-
Australia Business Co-operation Committee
(JABCC), and Senior Advisor, Nippon Steel and
Sumitomo Metal Corporation (NSSMC)**

Venue: Nippon Steel and Sumitomo Metal Corporation
Headquarters, Marunouchi Park Building, 2-6-1 Chiyoda-ku,
Tokyo 100-8071
Delegates: No

10:45am – 11:00am

11:45am – 12:00noon

Travel to next meeting

Travel time: 0 h 15 m

11:00am - 11:45am

12:00noon – 12:45pm

**Meeting with Mr Jun Kinugawa, COO, Mitsubishi
Corporation**

Venue: Mitsubishi Shoji Building, 2-3-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-
ku 100-8086
Delegates: No

11:45am – 12:00noon 12:45pm – 1:00pm	MOU Signing ceremony MOU between Mitsubishi and Thiess Venue: Mitsubishi Club, Mitsubishi Shoji Building, 2-3-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku 100-8086
12:00noon – 1:30pm 1:00pm – 2:30pm	Lunch hosted by Mr Yorihiro Kojima, Chairman of the Board, Mitsubishi Corporation Venue: Mitsubishi Club, Mitsubishi Shoji Building, 2-3-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku 100-8086
1:30am – 1:45pm 2:30pm – 2:45pm	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 15 m
1:45pm – 2:10pm 2:45pm – 3:10pm	Liaison time
2:10pm – 2:30pm 3:10pm – 3:30pm	Travel to next meeting Travel time: 0 h 20 m
2:30pm - 3:00pm 3:30pm – 4:00pm	Meeting with Mr Hirobumi Kawano, President, Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation (JOGMEC) and MOU signing Venue: JOGMEC Headquarters, Toranomon Twin Building, 2-10-1 Toranomon, Minato-ku, toyko 105-0011 Delegates: No
3:20pm 4:20pm	Return to hotel Travel time: 0 h 15 m (from JOGMEG to hotel)
3:20pm – 5:00pm 4:20pm – 6:00pm	Liaison time
5:00pm 6:00pm	Hotel check-out and depart for Narita Airport Travel time: 1 h 0 m (additional time allowed due to traffic)
7:00pm 8:00pm	Check in
8:30pm 9:30pm	Depart Tokyo for Sydney Qantas Airways Flight QF22 Travel time: 9 h 35 m
Overnight	In transit

Tuesday 1 October 2013 – Brisbane

7:05am Arrive Sydney

9:05am Depart Sydney for Brisbane
Qantas Airways Flight QF512
Travel time: 1 h 30 m

10:35am Arrive Brisbane

OFFICIAL DELEGATION MEMBERS

The Honourable Campbell Newman MP	Premier of Queensland
Mr Jon Grayson UAE, Singapore and China	Director-General, Department of the Premier and Cabinet
Mr Ben Myers	Chief of Staff, Office of the Premier
Mr Michael Prain	Director of Policy, Office of the Premier
Mr Steve Webb	Principal Visits and Protocol Coordinator, Protocol Queensland, Department of the Premier and Cabinet
Mr Daniel Hietbrink UAE and Singapore	Plain Clothes Senior Constable, Queensland Police Service
Mr David Richmond China and Japan	Plain Clothes Senior Constable, Queensland Police Service

TRADE AND INVESTMENT QUEENSLAND REPRESENTATIVES

Ms Donna Massie	Trade and Investment Commissioner – Middle East
Mr Ray Matta	Business Manager, Middle East & Africa Trade and Investment Queensland
Mr Zijian Zhang	Trade and Investment Commissioner – China
Mr Tak Adachi	Trade and Investment Commissioner - Japan

BUSINESS DELEGATION MEMBERS - UAE

Mr Stephen Baines	Chief Innovation Officer Aurizon Holdings
Mr Volkan Coskun	CEO Brisbane City Enterprises
Mr Rod Lamb	Director Ella Bay Pty Ltd
Mr Neil Cagney	Managing Director MR Cagney
Ms Sonia Barber	Partner Pattons Boggs LLP
Mr Simon Harrison	Partner Pattons Boggs LLP
Mr Adriaan Ryder	Chief Investment Officer QIC
Mr Paul Daly	CEO Rail Skills Australasia
Mr Noel Larkin	Global Development Manager Wagners

RECEPTION HOSTED BY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Date: Monday 16 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Excellency Nasser Ahmed Alsowaidi Chairman, Department of Economic Development and member of the Executive Council

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- His Excellency Nasser Ahmed Alsowaidi and I jointly re-signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Emirate of Abu Dhabi and the State of Queensland for a further period of three years.
- Queensland and Abu Dhabi have a longstanding relationship, with the original MOU being signed in May 1999.
- The MOU has facilitated exchanges of ideas and experiences at a government-to-government level, as well as numerous visits to Queensland by senior representatives of the Abu Dhabi Government over the years, as well as visits to Abu Dhabi by Queensland Government representatives.
- We look forward to further collaboration under the MOU across key sectors of Agriculture, Tourism, Transport, Construction and Education, which align with my government's four pillars.
- Following the official signing, the Chairman of the Department of Economic Development hosted the Queensland official party and delegates to a lunch reception.
- The Queensland Government is committed to its relationship with Abu Dhabi, establishing a Trade and Investment office in February 2007, the first Australian State and the first sub-national government of any country to establish a physical presence in the UAE national capital.
- I was pleased not only to be able to announce the appointment of the new Queensland Trade & Investment Commissioner to the Middle East, based in the Abu Dhabi office, Ms Donna Massie, but also to introduce Ms Massie to the guests.

MEETING WITH CROWN PRINCE OF ABU DHABI

Date: Monday 16 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Highness General Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I was granted a meeting with His Highness General Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces.
- The meeting provided me the opportunity to express gratitude to the Crown Prince, on behalf of the people of Queensland, for the generous donation of \$30 million by the government of Abu Dhabi, which was used to construct 10 cyclone shelters along the North Queensland coast.
- I advised that construction of all 10 shelters has been completed and they are being utilised as school halls and community centres when not needed as shelters.
- I was able to assure the Crown Prince that the Queensland Government strongly values its relationship with Abu Dhabi, demonstrated by the re-signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which dates back to 1999.
- I discussed with the Crown Prince the recent election of Australia's new Prime Minister, the Honourable Tony Abbott MP, and the positive implications this may have for Queensland and our efforts to grow our economy.
- The Crown Prince spoke warmly of the strong bilateral relationship between Abu Dhabi and Australia, and said that despite its small population and geographical distance, Australia was a model for other countries on how to develop relationships with the UAE.
- On the issue of reducing numbers of Emirati students coming to study in Australia, the Crown Prince suggested that the matter be raised with Sheikh Hamdan, Hereditary Crown Prince of Dubai, Chairman of the Dubai Executive Council and Supreme President of the Hamdan bin Mohammed e-university.
- I extended an invitation to the Crown Prince to visit Queensland.

MEETING WITH ABU DHABI EDUCATION COUNCIL (ADEC)

Date: Tuesday 17 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Dr Mugheer Khamis Al Khaili

Director General, Abu Dhabi Education Council (ADEC)

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I promoted Queensland as a leader in international education and encouraged ongoing collaboration with education institutions in Queensland.
- ADEC seeks to develop education and educational institutions in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi by implementing innovative educational policies, plans and programs to improve education and support to educational institutions and staff.
- We discussed Dr Mugheer's visit to Queensland in May 2013 to meet with the Department of Education Training and Employment (DETE) following DETE's successful tender for a Summer Abroad program which was run in August 2013.
- I promoted Queensland as a world class destination for study abroad programs and international scholarship students and provided endorsement for DETE to undertake further programs in Abu Dhabi.
- Dr Mugheer discussed ADEC's intent to introduce Teacher Licensing in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi and hopefully across the UAE. Dr Mugheer was very impressed with Queensland's Teacher Licensing.
- We discussed the Australian International School and their intention to enter the Abu Dhabi market. Dr Mugheer recommended the school go through the correct channels for registration and noted that land is available for 'next to nothing'.

MEETING WITH JONES LANG LASALLE

Date: Tuesday 17 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Alan Robertson Chief Executive Officer Middle East & North Africa

- I thanked Alan and his team for their presentation on local and foreign investment markets and for an excellent overview of the UAE real-estate and property market – both residential and commercial.
- Jones Lang Lasalle offered to provide future delegations and missions from Queensland with a similar overview of the market.

MEETING WITH DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS (DMA)

Date: Tuesday 17 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Excellency Majid Al Mansouri Chairman, Department of Municipal Affairs (DMA), and member of the Executive Council of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- At the meeting with His Excellency Majid Al Mansouri, Chairman, Department of Municipal Affairs (DMA), I promoted the capabilities of the Queensland infrastructure companies participating in the mission.
- The Department of Municipal Affairs (DMA) was established in May 2007. It replaced the Department of Municipalities and Agriculture as the main focal point of all municipal planning and to oversee public works projects in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi.
- I introduced the Queensland business delegation members present at this meeting and highlighted their interest in partnering with local businesses in the UAE, to build world class municipal services.
- His Excellency provided an overview of DMA's strategic direction and priorities, and discussed current and potential projects and opportunities for Queensland business delegates. He advised that all the members of the new Service Team were Australian and there is a focus on sustainable development and water strategy.
- I highlighted the international expertise that Queensland organisations possess in infrastructure, power and water, roads, ports and rail development and operations, and promoted partnership and knowledge sharing opportunities with the DMA under the auspices of the Queensland – Abu Dhabi MOU.
- His Excellency and I agreed there is much we could learn from each other and agreed to investigate a program of staff exchanges at the municipal level between Abu Dhabi and the City of Brisbane. Mr Andrew Chesterman, Queensland Public Service Commission Chief Executive has been asked to liaise with the Lord Mayor of Brisbane to investigate this proposal and map a way forward.

MEETING WITH ETIHAD RAIL

Date: Tuesday 17 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Dr Nasser Saif Al-Mansoori

Chief Executive Officer, Etihad Rail

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I met with Dr Nasser Saif Al-Mansoori, Chief Executive Officer, Etihad Rail to promote Queensland's expertise in the railway sector and commercial opportunities with particular focus on rail related education and training.
- Government owned Etihad Rail is charged with delivering the UAE's \$11 billion 1,200km double-track railway system which is part of the planned \$65 billion Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) wide rail network that will ultimately connect the six GCC states and eventually Europe via Turkey.
- Dr Al-Mansoori provided an overview of Etihad's 1,200km double-track railway system as there will be significant niche opportunities for Queensland companies during project construction and in network operations. Etihad Rail is understood to be soon awarding contracts worth \$5.4 billion for the second phase of the three phase project, which will connect Abu Dhabi's new Khalifa Port with Dubai's Jebel Ali Port, the city of al-Ain and the Saudi border.
- It was noted that some of the major issues facing the UAE network were sand and camels, but they are being addressed using innovative approaches.
- I highlighted that Queensland boasts Australia's largest rail network, with 9,500km of track and heavy-haulage railways carrying some of the world's heaviest and longest freight trains across remote locations and variable environments.
- We agreed that training is a high priority for both Abu Dhabi and Queensland and provides opportunity for collaboration.

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT RECEPTION ABU DHABI

Date: Tuesday 17 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Excellency Mr Pablo Kang

Australian Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates and Qatar

EVENT SUMMARY

- I hosted a reception in Abu Dhabi attended by 60 business and government representatives and introduced the new Queensland Trade & Investment Commissioner to the Middle East, Ms Donna Massie to the guests, as well as the Queensland business delegates that accompanied me to the UAE.
- During my speech, I expressed that I was honoured to re-sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Emirate of Abu Dhabi and the State of Queensland, which was first signed in 1999. I commented that Queensland was the first Australian state to establish a trade office in Abu Dhabi, with permanent trade representation set up in February 2007.
- I took the opportunity to acknowledge the generosity of the Abu Dhabi government's donation of \$30 million towards the construction of 10 cyclone shelters along Queensland's northern and central coast line. I advised that construction of all 10 shelters has been completed and they are being utilised as school halls and community centres when not needed as shelters.
- I also commented that the shelters have been very well received in the respective communities across regional Queensland, and local residents understand that their delivery was made possible by the generosity of the people and government of Abu Dhabi, and are extremely grateful.

MEETING WITH DUBAI ROADS AND TRANSPORT AUTHORITY (RTA)

Date: Wednesday 18 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Excellency Mattar Al Tayer Chairman, Dubai Roads and Transport Authority

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- Whilst in Dubai I met with His Excellency Mattar Al Tayer, Chairman, Dubai Roads and Transport Authority (RTA). This meeting provided an opportunity to promote the capabilities of the transport sector-related delegates from Queensland.
- The RTA is responsible for planning and provision of transport, roads and traffic management in the Emirate of Dubai, and between Dubai and other emirates of the UAE. Currently the RTA is overseeing the delivery of billions of dollars in transport infrastructure and is interested in meeting and working with agencies that have demonstrated best-practice in the delivery of major projects as well as the management of transport infrastructure.
- The Chairman provided us with a briefing on initiatives being undertaken to enhance public transport facilities and improve the road network in Dubai.
- We discussed how Queensland organisations and companies are in a good position to collaborate and share experience and successes in areas such as road safety, passenger transport and the use of intelligent transport systems.
- Queensland has globally recognised capabilities in busways, integrated transport planning, road safety management and asset management, and has one of the world's most extensive and efficient transport networks spread over a vast area.
- There was a discussion about the fast tracking of transportation networks if Dubai was to win the Expo 2020 bid.

VISIT TO AND MEETING WITH AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, SHARJAH

Date: Wednesday 18 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Dr Omar Jaffar

Co-Founder and Chairman of the Board
Australian International School, Sharjah

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- During my visit to UAE I undertook a tour of the Australian International School (AIS) at Sharjah with Dr Omar Jaffar, Co-founder and Chairman of the Board of AIS. We discussed the potential to replicate this model elsewhere in the UAE and the wider Gulf region.
- Established in 2005 (with 70 students), the AIS in Sharjah is the only school in the Middle East running the Queensland Year 11 and 12 curriculum. It currently has around 1,000 students enrolled from Prep to Year 12.
- We discussed the growing education links between Queensland and the UAE, which has been further strengthened by with Education Queensland International, placing a Business Development Manager in the Trade and Investment Queensland Abu Dhabi office, to support the development of education and training opportunities in the UAE.
- We also discussed the success and high profile of Queensland's education and vocational training system internationally. A key advantage of the Queensland education system is the focus on the holistic development of children.
- There was a great deal of discussion about the AIS's culturally sensitive program to teach Arabic and that this model was highly regarded.
- I advised Dr Omar that during my meeting with Abu Dhabi Education Council (ADEC), I promoted AIS's desire to enter the Abu Dhabi market and that this had been well received.

MEETING WITH UAE MINISTER OF EDUCATION

Date: Wednesday 18 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Excellency Humaid Mohammed Al-Qutami UAE Minister for Education

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- His Excellency said the Ministry is closely following up the latest international educational developments, and exerting all efforts to keep pace with the developments in areas of knowledge, curricula, assessment and evaluation systems, rehabilitation experiences and occupational development.
- His Excellency noted that the UAE's Vision 2021, on education objectives and competitiveness, has established a basis for new relations between the Ministry of Education and its counterparts in developed countries.
- The Australian federal initiative to implement teacher licensing in Australia was discussed.
- I mentioned to His Excellency that the Australian International School was interested in entering the Dubai market, and he agreed that land was a formidable cost and entry barrier. He offered his support for the Australian International School.

MEETING WITH THE WORLD EXPO 2020 HIGHER COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 18 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Excellency Mohammed Al Shaibani Deputy Head of the World Expo 2020 Higher Committee

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I met with His Excellency Mohammed Al Shaibani, Deputy Head of the World Expo 2020 Higher Committee. Dubai is bidding for the rights to host World Expo 2020 and is competing with Izmir in Turkey, São Paulo in Brazil and Yekaterinburg in Russia. A decision will be made by the International Exhibitions Bureau General Assembly on 27 November 2013.
- I offered my full support for Dubai's bid and commended its quality and professionalism. I have written to Prime Minister Abbott, recommending Australia support Dubai's bid to host World Expo 2020.
- I noted that my accompanying business delegation was keen to discuss linkages with Dubai, (given Queensland is hosting the 2018 Commonwealth Games), and to identify opportunities to assist in delivering Expo related infrastructure, should Dubai win the hosting rights to World Expo 2020.
- Dubai has a sister city agreement with the Gold Coast and much to share in the way of experience as both are tourism destinations. The Gold Coast continues to be a popular destination for UAE nationals during the northern summer.
- His Excellency stated that if Dubai won the bid there would be a fast tracking of Request for Proposals with Dubai based firms and they will be gearing from New Year onward. Currently they were on a three month lobbying period.
- I highlighted that Queensland's experience with public transport and infrastructure delivery around events is world class, and promoted that our event operators continue to set the benchmark for successful events internationally.
- We discussed the model used in Queensland, whereby the cost of public transport is included in the price of admission to major events, noting it has resulted in the vast majority of people now arriving to events by public transport. I added that integrated ticketing also plays a role in facilitating switching between modes of public transport and the state's go-card system has demonstrated that such integration can encourage people to use public transport.
- Brisbane's Southbank was promoted as an excellent example of post-World Expo redevelopment. I invited the organisers to visit Queensland to meet with the management of Southbank to study how to deal with a post Expo site.

MEETING AND LUNCH WITH ATLANTIS THE PALM HOTEL AND RESORT, DUBAI

Date: Wednesday, 18 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Alan Leibman CEO Kerzner International
Mr Serge Zaalof President and Managing Director, Atlantis the Palm Hotel and Resort

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I met with Mr Alan Leibman CEO Kerzner and Mr Serge Zaalof, President and Managing Director of Atlantis the Palm Hotel and Resort in Dubai. Kerzner International, the operator of Dubai mega-hotel and resort, Atlantis the Palm, has secured the operating rights for Hayman Island and will be upgrading and redeveloping the resort on Queensland's Great Barrier Reef.
- We discussed Kerzner's plans for Hayman Island when they assume the management of the resort in April 2014. I emphasised the Queensland Government's strong support for the development of the State's tourism sector and for offshore investment into the sector, and advised him of the establishment of the Tourism Investment Attraction Unit in the Department of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games.
- I also inquired about Kerzner's possible interest in other tourism related investments in Queensland.

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT RECEPTION DUBAI

Date: Wednesday 18 September 2013

EVENT SUMMARY

- The Dubai reception gave me the opportunity to introduce Ms Donna Massie, the new Queensland Trade & Investment Commissioner to the Middle East, based in Abu Dhabi and the Queensland business delegates that accompanied me to the UAE to the guests.
- I noted that while Queensland's exports to the UAE have been dominated by food and agricultural products, Queensland engineering, architecture and infrastructure companies continue to contribute to the development of the UAE, as do companies and institutions specialising in education and training.
- I commented that business relationships between Queensland and Dubai are becoming easier with Emirates Airlines adding an Airbus A380 on the Dubai – Brisbane – Auckland route from 2 October 2013, increasing capacity by nearly 3,700 seats per week.

BUSINESS DELEGATION MEMBERS - SINGAPORE

Mr Rod Lamb	Director Ella Bay Pty Ltd
Mr Terry Kearney	Executive General Manager, Education and Health Springfield Land Corporation
Mr Maha Sinnathamby	Chairman Springfield Land Corporation
Mr Jim Varghese	Executive Director Springfield Land Corporation
Mr Noel Larkin	Global Development Manager Wagners

BREAKFAST MEETING WITH THE AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (AUSTCHAM), SINGAPORE

Date: Friday 20 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Attendees included Australian Chamber of Commerce in Singapore (AustCham) members and the Australian ex-pat business community.

EVENT SUMMARY

- The Australian Chamber of Commerce in Singapore (AustCham) hosted a breakfast meeting where I was the keynote speaker. AustCham fosters and provides a forum for business links between Australia and Singapore. Its 600 members include Australian companies in Singapore, Australians working in Singapore, and Singaporeans and other nationalities who have a business connection with Australia.
- During my speech, I promoted investment opportunities in Queensland's four pillar economy, and highlighted opportunities for business collaboration across a number of broader industries. I also highlighted my Government's pro-business stance and commitment to cut red tape and unnecessary regulation, to position Queensland as a great place to do business.
- I also spoke about boosting the number of overseas students studying in Queensland and pointed out that there were great opportunities around biotechnology particularly in south east Queensland.

MEETING WITH CITI PRIVATE BANK

Date: Saturday 21 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Tony Davies

Executive Director

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- Citi Private Bank is a business unit of the Citi Institutional Clients Group servicing the financial needs of private individuals and their families.
- Mr Davies provided a brief on where his clients are looking to invest and where Queensland can benefit.
- I acknowledged Singapore's importance to Australia, and Queensland, in terms of investment as the fifth largest investor in Australia with approximately \$55.9 billion worth of investments in 2012.
- I promoted the strength of the Queensland economy and also promoted Queensland as an attractive investment destination and my Government's commitment to continue to engage and do business with Singapore.

TOURISM INVESTMENT ATTRACTION LUNCH HOSTED BY HIGH COMMISSIONER TO SINGAPORE

Date: Friday 20 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Excellency Mr Philip Green OAM

High Commissioner to Singapore

EVENT SUMMARY

- The Australian High Commissioner to Singapore hosted a tourism investment attraction lunch at which I promoted Queensland as an attractive investment destination and highlighted business opportunities in our State's tourism sector.
- I stressed the importance that my Government has placed on the tourism industry and highlighted my government's vision to double overnight visitor expenditure to \$30 billion by 2020.
- Singaporean corporations have already contributed significantly to the Queensland tourism industry through investments in a number of our State's leading hotels.
- I promoted Queensland as an attractive investment destination, and also stressed my Government's commitment to support private investment, both domestic and overseas, in new and revitalised tourism developments. I encouraged my fellow attendees at the lunch to:
 - visit the newly launched Tourism Investment Gateway, a tailor-made online tool to identify tourism investment opportunities in Queensland; and
 - travel to Queensland to investigate tourism investment opportunities firsthand.

SITE VISIT TO THE BIOPOLIS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRE FOR BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE

Date: Friday 20 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Dennis Tan Kok Meng

Director, Biomedical and Chemical
Cluster, JTC

EVENT SUMMARY

- I undertook a site visit to the Biopolis Research and Development Centre for Biomedical Science. I was accompanied by business delegates from Springfield Land Corporation including Mr Maha Sinnathamby.

The site visit included a presentation and guided tour conducted by a representative of Singapore's Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR). It also gave me the opportunity to promote Queensland's research and development capabilities, particularly the state's niche strengths in agriscience, biocommodities and tropical health.

MEETING WITH MINISTER FOR DEFENCE, SINGAPORE

Date: Friday 20 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Dr Ng Eng Hen

Minister for Defence, Republic of Singapore

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- Dr Ng and I met to discuss the Singaporean Armed Forces (SAF) ongoing activities in Queensland, and I offered Defence Industries Queensland as a direct liaison point within the Queensland Government for ongoing SAF dialogue.
- Dr Ng spoke about the economy and growth of Singapore and also said that Singapore saw a lot of opportunities “where we can collaborate”.
- I spoke about the opportunity for fresh food produced in Queensland which could be flown from its source direct to Singapore within a matter of hours.
- I welcomed Dr Ng to visit Queensland when he next visited Australia, and hoped that time would permit for me to personally welcome him to Queensland.

DINNER HOSTED BY HIGH COMMISSIONER TO SINGAPORE

Date: Friday 20 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Excellency Mr Philip Green OAM High Commissioner to Singapore

EVENT SUMMARY

- The Australian High Commissioner to Singapore hosted a dinner for me, attended by Singaporean business people who have investments in Queensland across a number of industry sectors.
- I thanked the High Commissioner for hosting the dinner and welcomed attendees, thanked them for their investments in Queensland and promoted the potential for further investment opportunities in the State.

BREAKFAST MEETING WITH TEMASEK HOLDINGS (PRIVATE) LIMITED

Date: Saturday 21 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Ms Ho Ching

Executive Director and CEO, Temasek Holdings (Private) Limited

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- Temasek is an investment company based in Singapore and its investment in Australia and New Zealand represents 13% of its overall portfolio. I had the pleasure of meeting with Ms Ho Ching, Temasek's Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer.
- Ms Ho provided a briefing on Temasek's investment strategy and investment plans for Australia/Queensland and I promoted the strength of the Queensland economy and highlighted Queensland's record level of investment.
- I conveyed my Government's commitment to growing a four pillar economy based on strong tourism, agriculture, resources and construction sectors. I also advised that to help business flourish, my Government is cutting red tape and regulation, speeding up project approvals for business, stimulating the State's economy and creating jobs.
- Queensland is also emerging as an Australasian centre of excellence for science and technology, comprising research/clinical trial precincts and commercialisation facilities that provide opportunities for investment
- I invited Ms Ho to visit Queensland to investigate investment opportunities and explore investment interests in agribusiness and life science sectors in Queensland firsthand.

MEETING WITH DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER FOR FINANCE

Date: Friday 20 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and I discussed the Queensland-Singapore trade and investment relationship. I acknowledged Singapore's importance to Australia, and Queensland, in terms of investment as the fifth largest investor in Australia with approximately \$55.9 billion worth of investments in 2012.
- I promoted Queensland as an attractive investment destination and my Government's commitment to continue to engage and do business with Singapore.
- We discussed research and development and I promoted Queensland's strengths in agriscience, biocommodities and tropical health. Substantial investments are developing these strengths and positioning Queensland as an Australasian centre of excellence for science and technology.
- I invited Mr Shanmugaratnam to visit Queensland with a business delegation to investigate trade and investment opportunities firsthand.

SITE VISIT TO MARINA BAY SANDS SINGAPORE

Date: Saturday 21 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Ken Davie

Senior Vice President of Casino Operations

EVENT SUMMARY

- I undertook a site visit to and tour of Marina Bay Sands Singapore, a 20 hectare premium integrated resort featuring a luxury hotel, convention-exhibition centre, retail outlets, museum, entertainment facilities and the world's largest atrium casino fronting Marina Bay in Singapore.
- Marina Bay Sands Pty Ltd is a subsidiary of Las Vegas Sands Corp, Asia's leading developer of premium integrated resorts and the Meetings, Incentives, Conventions and Exhibitions (MICE) industry leader in the United States. Since opening in April 2010, Marina Bay Sands has achieved over 106 awards, and been highly recognised in Asia for its outstanding MICE and hotel facilities.
- The resort is situated on 15.5 hectares of land with a built-up area of 581,400 square metres of Gross Floor Area (GFA); the casino forms less than 3% of the total GFA. The resort was built with an investment of US\$5.7 billion, inclusive of land cost.
- Marina Bay Sands' eco-friendly practices in design and construction have earned the resort the Green Mark Gold Award, certified by the Building and Construction Authority of Singapore, making Marina Bay Sands the largest green building in Singapore.

BUSINESS DELEGATION MEMBERS - CHINA

Ms Catherine Tanna	Chairman BG Australia
Mr Nick Park	Manager, Government Affairs BG Group
Cr Bob Manning	Mayor Cairns Regional Council
Ms Annie Morris	Personal Assistant to the Mayor Cairns Regional Council
Mr Rod Lamb	Director Ella Bay Pty Ltd
Mr Michael Back	Managing Partner - Brisbane Herbert Smith Freehills
Mr Michael Wadley	Senior Consultant Hopgood Ganim
Prof. Peter Coaldrake	Vice-Chancellor Queensland University of Technology
Prof. Scott Shepherd	Deputy Vice-Chancellor, International and Development Queensland University of Technology
Prof. Yin Xiao	Professor, Science and Engineering Faculty Queensland University of Technology
Mr Daniel Farquhar	Director Seymour Group
Mr Noel Larkin	Global Development Manager Wagners
Mr Alvin Phua	CEO Wine Power

GLOBAL MINING ASSOCIATION OF CHINA BREAKFAST BRIEFING

Date: Monday 23 September 2013

EVENT SUMMARY

- The event was attended by approximately 50 senior executives from international mining companies and Chinese Government representatives. My speech focussed on the Queensland Government cutting red tape and streamlining approval processes for investment into the Queensland resources sector.
- During my speech, I highlighted that the resources sector was a key pillar of the Queensland economy and acknowledged China as an important and growing market for many of the State's energy and mineral commodities.
- I also promoted investment in the Queensland mining sector and encouraged investment from China.

MEETING WITH CHINA NATIONAL CEREALS OILS AND FOODSTUFFS CORPORATION (COFCO)

Date: Monday 23 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Ma Jianping	Vice President, COFCO Corporation
Mr Yu Zuojiang	Vice President, COFCO Tunhe Co., Ltd
Ms Yang Hong	Vice President & General Manager Sugar Business, COFCO Tunhe Co., Ltd
Mr Lin Feng	General Manager, China Processed Food Imp. & Exp. Co., Ltd
Ms Tian Yali	Assistant General Manager, COFCO Meat Investment Co., Ltd

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I met with Mr Ma Jianping, Vice President of COFCO Corporation, and his colleagues representing various subsidiaries and businesses of COFCO, to encourage further imports of fresh produce and beef; and reinforce the advantages of doing business with Queensland.
- I also acknowledged COFCO's 2011 investment in Tully Sugar and sought a brief on potential future plans for that business. This investment was made by COFCO Tunhe Co., Ltd.
- COFCO is one of China's largest food processing, manufacturing and trading entities. The purchasing policies of COFCO reflect the food security and supply policy needs of the People's Republic of China.
- I thanked COFCO for their interest in buying mandarins (citrus) from Queensland's Bundaberg and Burnett region and encouraged them to develop a long term supply program for mandarins and other Queensland grown fruit.
- In line with COFCO's growth strategy, I reinforced the message that Queensland can also offer direct investment opportunities, particularly in the beef supply chain, as well as bio-processing of sugar and guar.
- I highlighted that Queensland would be the ideal location for COFCO to base their Australian business interests.
- COFCO hoped to establish a good communication platform with the Queensland Government. I requested the Honourable Dr John McVeigh MP, Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry to meet with COFCO during his visit to China in September. Minister McVeigh met with Mr. Qin Yelong, Deputy Head of COFCO's Strategy Department, and Mr. Yu Zuojiang, Vice President of COFCO Tunhe, when he visited Beijing on Wednesday 25 September 2013.

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT LUNCH RECEPTION IN BEIJING

Date: Monday 23 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Professor Fang Wei-Gang Deputy Director Health Science Centre,
Peking University

EVENT SUMMARY

- During this event, I met with approximately 100 Chinese business executives, investors, and senior government officials. I promoted Queensland as an attractive trade and investment partner and emphasised that Queensland welcomes trade and investment with China.
- During my speech, I noted that this was my first trade mission to China as the Premier of Queensland. I also mentioned that four Queensland Ministers have visited China over the past 12 months, demonstrating the importance my Government places on its longstanding friendship and relationship with our largest trading partner.
- I said that Queensland and China share a special bond which spans decades and emphasised the priority Queensland placed on partnership with China. I also highlighted the 24 year Sister State relationship with Shanghai, China's largest city, and a five year Friendship State Agreement with Guangdong Province, China's economic engine in the southern region.
- As part of this event, I observed an Agreement signing between the Queensland University of Technology (QUT) and Peking University to establish the *Australia China Centre for Population Health* research centre, proposed by QUT and its three prestigious Chinese partners: Peking University, Sun-Yat Sen University and Shandong University.
- I encouraged the attendees to visit Queensland to see business opportunities firsthand. I also promoted the Queensland government's presence in China through Trade and Investment Queensland which maintains three offices in mainland China: Beijing, Shanghai, and Guangzhou.

MEETING WITH THE VICE PREMIER

Date: Monday, 23 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Wang Yang

Vice Premier, People's Republic of China

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- The meeting with Vice Premier Wang Yang provided the opportunity to forge a high level relationship with a senior ranking member of the Chinese Central Government. This will support the ongoing bilateral activities between Queensland and China.
- I acknowledged the role that China plays in strengthening Queensland's economy, conveying the message that Queensland is open to, and welcomes, trade and investment cooperation with China.
- During the meeting, I conveyed my Government's commitment to broadening its relationship with China through the expansion of collaborative partnerships in trade and investment, science and technology, education, tourism, and culture.
- In order to ensure that Queensland remains well placed to deal with China, I sought the Vice Premier's views on how China will, under the new leadership, respond to economic, social and regional prospects and challenges facing its economy and its implication for the future Queensland – China relationship.
- I welcomed an increase in high level bilateral visits between Queensland and China and invited Mr Wang to visit Queensland again in the near future. I also highlighted that Cairns will host the G20 Finance Ministers' meeting in September 2014 and Brisbane will host the G20 Leaders' Summit in November 2014.

DINNER MEETING WITH MAJOR CHINESE INVESTORS

Date: Monday 23 September 2013

ATTENDEES

The dinner included senior representatives from CNOOC Gas & Power Group, PetroChina, Shandong Energy Linyi Mining Group, Yanzhou Coal Mining Company Limited, Huaneng Group, Meijin Energy Group, China Minmetals Non-Ferrous Metals Co., Ltd, Shandong Ruyi Group and Ridong Group.

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- At this dinner, I promoted investment into Queensland's food and agribusiness, energy and resources, and tourism infrastructure sectors, and reassured investors of my Government's commitment to streamlining the assessment and approval processes to attract greater investment into the State.
- The key Chinese investors who attended this meeting were industry leaders/decision makers from major Chinese State Owned Enterprises (SOEs), and private companies, with investment interests in Queensland's food and agribusiness, mining resources, energy, and tourism development sectors.
- The attendees provided updates on the progress of their existing investments in Queensland as well as their future investment plans. I highlighted that my Government encourages public private partnerships and is focussed on reducing red tape to create a more conducive investment environment, especially with regard to the development of new projects and infrastructure. I encouraged the attendees to further expand their investment portfolios in Queensland.

MEETING WITH QANTAS

Date: Tuesday 24 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Andrew Hogg

General Manager – China, Qantas

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- Mr Hogg advised that Qantas had partnered with China Eastern Airlines to provide direct connections for Chinese tourists from Shanghai and Hong Kong to Brisbane, Singapore and Melbourne. Mr Hogg noted that Jetstar was also operating flights in and out of China using the same arrangement.
- We discussed the importance of offering a quality level of service to match the current cost to overseas visitors, to ensure that tourism in Queensland is sustainable for the long-term.
- I promoted the re-energising of tourism, one of the State's four pillars. I noted that two DestinationQ conferences had already been held with the purpose of identifying improvements and establishing a 20-year strategy. We discussed how this will enable stakeholders like Qantas to plan around the strategy with confidence.
- We discussed the opportunity for Queensland to provide fresh food straight to Asia via air freight, becoming a supermarket to Asia. Queensland has the potential to address China's food security concerns and demands.

MEETING WITH FULLSHARE GROUP

Date: Tuesday 24 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Ji Changqun	Chairman of the Board, Fullshare Group
Mr YU Yi	President, Fullshare Group(Australia)
Mr Jerry LI	Vice President, Fullshare Group (Australia)
Mr CHEN Yang (Jerry)	Assistant General Manager, Fullshare Group (Australia)

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I took the opportunity to emphasise that Queensland welcomes foreign investment in Queensland, particularly in the tourism infrastructure in regional Queensland.
- Fullshare provided an overview on their plans in Queensland including the refurbishment of the Sheraton Marina Mirage Hotel, building a new hotel (beside the Marina Mirage) in Port Douglas, and the proposed developments for Whisper Bay Apartments and Fullshare Laguna Resort.
- I reaffirmed my government's support for the Fullshare Group's plans to redevelop and revitalise its properties in Queensland. Apart from the Sheraton Marina Mirage, Fullshare Group owns Whisper Bay Apartments in the Whitsundays and Fullshare Laguna Resort (formerly Laguna Quays Resort) near Proserpine.
- Through this meeting, I was able to give them further understanding of my Government's policy regarding land development and tourism facilities project approval.
- I offered Queensland government assistance, through Trade and Investment Queensland offices in China to assist Fullshare in further expansion of its investment portfolio in Queensland.

MEETING WITH MAYOR OF SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT FOLLOWED BY DINNER

Date: Tuesday 24 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Excellency Yang Xiong Mayor of Shanghai Municipal Government

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- At this meeting, His Excellency Yang Xiong, the Mayor of Shanghai Municipal Government and I jointly resigned the Shanghai Memorandum of Agreed Cooperation (MOU) which was originally signed in 1989.
- Following the signing, the Shanghai government hosted a dinner function.
- Ms Alice Cawte, Australian Consul-General in Shanghai, and Mr Bob Manning, Mayor, Cairns Regional Council attended the re-signing of the MOU and the dinner.
- I advised Mayor Yang that this was my first official visit to Shanghai as the Premier of Queensland, and that I was honoured to have this opportunity to re-sign the Sister State Agreement with Shanghai, now in its 24th year.
- During the meeting, I emphasised the great economic significance of China to Queensland and encouraged continued investment from China as a key partner in the development of these projects.
- We spoke of the strong relationships and cultural links which have developed over the years between Queensland and Shanghai, as evidenced by the active and fruitful joint collaborations taking place across the areas of business, government, education, science, trade, culture and sport.
- I mentioned the recent successful exchange program between Trade and Investment Queensland and Shanghai Municipal Government. Recently, Ms Zhong Yuyan, Council Member, Asia, Africa & Oceania Division of the Shanghai People's Association for Friendship, visited Queensland for an eight week exchange (1 July - 23 August 2013).
- I invited the Mayor to visit Queensland in May 2014, to coincide with the 25th anniversary of the original Sister State Agreement signing on 24 May 1989. I mentioned that we were also planning to send a senior government and business mission to Shanghai in September 2014 as part of the 25th anniversary celebrations.

AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN SHANGHAI (AUSTCHAM SHANGHAI) BREAKFAST BRIEFING

Date: Wednesday 25 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Peter Arkell

Chairman, Australian Chamber of
Commerce, Shanghai

EVENT SUMMARY

- Attendance at this breakfast briefing with the Australian Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai (Austcham) gave me an opportunity to provide an update on Queensland's economic development strategy, as well as the Queensland-China trade and investment relationship. I thanked AustCham Shanghai and its members for their continued support to the bilateral trade and investment relationship between Queensland and China.
- During my speech, I reinforced the many advantages of doing business in Queensland which include: a stable economy; pro-business government; a solid growth forecast, a highly skilled workforce and abundant resources, all of which make our State an attractive investment destination.
- I noted that this was my first official visit to China as Premier of Queensland and that I was accompanied by a business delegation to promote trade and investment partnerships with Chinese companies and institutions. I mentioned that Queensland is planning to send a senior government and business mission to Shanghai in September 2014, to acknowledge the 25th anniversary of Sister State relations with Shanghai.
- In conclusion, I highlighted that my Government, through Trade and Investment Queensland, maintains three offices in mainland China: Beijing, Shanghai, and Guangzhou. I also encouraged members at the breakfast to visit Queensland to see business opportunities firsthand.

VISIT TO SHANGHAI CERAMICS INSTITUTE & MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) SIGNING

Date: Wednesday 25 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Longgeng WANG Acting Director/Deputy Director, Shanghai Ceramics Institute, Chinese Academy of Science (SICCAS)

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- At this meeting I witnessed the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Shanghai Institute of Ceramics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, and Queensland University of Technology, to establish a joint research centre, the *Australia China Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine Research Centre*, in Shanghai.
- The Centre represents a strategic opportunity to connect with international research networks and capture a share of the global regenerative therapies market and I congratulated the parties on the signing of the MOU. The research alliances established under this MOU will strengthen and grow the biotechnology and medical technology industries in both Queensland and China.
- I highlighted that Queensland is a hub for scientific education, research, development, commercialisation and innovation, and that there are opportunities to work with Chinese institutions to grow and diversify research strengths.

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT RECEPTION SHANGHAI

Date: Wednesday 25 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Ms Alice Cawte

Australian Consul General in Shanghai

EVENT SUMMARY

- Chinese business executives, investors and senior government officials attended the reception that I hosted in Shanghai.
- I promoted Queensland as an attractive trade and investment destination and reiterated the Queensland's Government's commitment to a strong bilateral relationship with China. I highlighted that Queensland is actively seeking investment in tourism, agriculture, resources and construction industries and partnering with China will be an important driver in supporting these priorities in Queensland.
- I noted that this was my first official visit to China as Premier of Queensland and that I was accompanied by a business delegation to promote trade and investment partnerships with Chinese companies and institutions. I also commented that I had re-signed the Queensland Shanghai Sister State Agreement, now in its 24th year.
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on the establishment of an international school between Hills Education Foundation and the Shanghai Waigaoqiao Group Pty Ltd was signed at the reception. I congratulated both parties on the first school of its kind to be established in Shanghai.
- Earlier in the day I had observed a QUT signing ceremony of the Australia China Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine Research Centre.
- I highlighted that the Queensland Government, through Trade and Investment Queensland, maintains three offices in mainland China: Beijing, Shanghai, and Guangzhou. I encouraged attendees at the reception to visit Queensland to see business opportunities firsthand.

BUSINESS DELEGATION MEMBERS - JAPAN

Mr Stephen Baines	Chief Innovation Officer Aurizon Holdings
Ms Sonya McGuire	CEO / Founder Australian College of Information Technology
Ms Catherine Tanna	Chairman BG Australia
Mr Nick Park	Manager, Government Affairs BG Group
Mr Hiroyuki Kano	Partner Clayton Utz
Mr Derek Brown	State Director, Queensland Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Mr Michael Back	Managing Partner, Brisbane Herbert Smith Freehills
Mr Baden Firth	Regional Strategy Manager Mitsubishi Australia Ltd
Mr Christopher Wallin	Managing Director QCoal Group
Mr Ken Kikkawa	Marketing Manager QCoal Group
Mr Brian Delaney	Chief of Global Clients QIC
Mr Damien Frawley	CEO QIC
Mr Jim McKnoulty	Chairman RPS
Mr Daniel Farquhar	Director Seymour Group
Mr Edward Durkan	Managing Director SourceIntro Pty Ltd
Mr Andrew Chapman	Manager, Business Development Thiess

MEETING WITH MAYOR OF KAWASAKI CITY

Date: Thursday 26 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Takao Abe

Mayor of Kawasaki City

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I met with the Mayor to reaffirm and further strengthen Queensland's relationship with Kawasaki City and to explore trade and investment opportunities under the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that our two regions share.
- In opening the discussion, I highlighted the Queensland Government's continued commitment to further develop its multi-faceted relationship with Kawasaki City.
- I thanked Mayor Abe for sending a large delegation from Kawasaki to Brisbane in February 2013 to explore opportunities in recycling and water management business.
- We discussed opportunities for joint activities between Queensland and Kawasaki City in recycling, environmental and energy saving technologies, biotechnology, and education under the MOU, particularly in R&D collaboration.
- I was particularly interested in Kawasaki's initiatives in the life sciences sector and highlighted my Government's strong capability and interest in this area.
- Mayor Abe provided me with an overview on Kawasaki City's strategy to attract international organisations. More than 100 internationally recognised foreign companies have moved their head offices into Kawasaki, including Dell Japan, Tyco Electronics, AMP, Toys 'R' Us Japan, Minit Asia Pacific, and Mercedes Benz Kawasaki R&D.

SITE VISIT TO JFE STEEL EAST WORKS

Date: Thursday 26 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Eiji Hayashida

President and CEO, JFE Steel Corporation

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I met with Mr Hayashida, President and CEO of JFE Steel Corporation and undertook a site inspection of one of JFE's steel works.
- JFE Steel is one of the largest importers of coking coal and a significant investor in the Queensland mining industry. The company procures more than 70% of its coking coal from Queensland and has invested in coal mines with Queensland companies such as QCoal.
- During our discussion, I acknowledged the contribution made by JFE Steel to Queensland. JFE Steel's procurement of raw materials for steel mills has made the company one of Queensland's largest export customers with a number of interests in Queensland coal mines.
- I also acknowledged the investment contribution of other JFE Group subsidiaries, such as JFE Shoji and JFE Engineering to Queensland.
- I outlined my Government's priorities and achievements, in particular our commitment to the energy and resources sector.
- We discussed the status of the Environmental Impact Statement process for the Byerwen project in Queensland.
- JFE Steel provided me with a short briefing on the Japanese steel industry and its challenges, as well as a briefing on the company's current and future investment plans in Queensland.

SITE VISIT TO TOKYO GAS OHGISHIMA LNG IMPORT TERMINAL AT TOKYO HARBOUR

Date: Thursday 26 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Yutaka Kunigo	Director, Senior Executive Officer and Division Manager of Energy Production Division, Tokyo Gas Co Ltd
Mr Takashi Uchida	Senior Executive Officer, Chief Executive of Energy Resources Division, Tokyo Gas Co Ltd
Ms Catherine Tanna	Chairman, BG Australia, BG Group
Mr Nick Park	QGC Manager Government Affairs & Special Advisor to Chairman, BG Australia

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I met with Tokyo Gas to strengthen Queensland's relationship with them and to encourage further investment in Queensland's Coal Seam Gas (CSG) industry.
- Tokyo Gas is the world's fourth largest LNG importer and Japan's largest city gas supplier, importing more than 12 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG).
- The site visit enabled me to inspect the Ohgishima LNG terminal, and observe Australian LNG (from WA and NT) being converted to city gas for distribution.
- In discussions with Mr Kunigo, I acknowledged the investment that Tokyo Gas has already made in Queensland and welcomed further investment in Queensland's CSG industry. I also acknowledged the opening of Tokyo Gas' first Brisbane office at Waterfront Place in April of this year.
- Tokyo Gas has an agreement with the BG Group to receive an offtake of 1.2 mtpa of LNG for 20 years from 2015, from the Queensland Curtis LNG facility.
- Tokyo Gas briefed me on its "Vision for Energy and the Future – Challenge 2020 Vision", which was released following the 2011 earthquake and tsunami which caused the Fukushima nuclear plant accident and resulting power shortages.

DINNER WITH GOVERNOR OF SAITAMA PREFECTURE

Date: Thursday 26 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Kiyoshi Ueda

Governor of Saitama Prefecture

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- This meeting with the Governor provided me with the opportunity to reaffirm and further strengthen Queensland's Sister State relationship with Saitama Prefecture.
- Queensland's oldest Sister State relationship is with Saitama Prefecture, first established on 27 October 1984. The Sister State Agreement provides for close cooperation between Queensland and Saitama by actively implementing exchanges in education and food/agribusiness areas. 2014 represents the 30 year anniversary of this agreement.
- I confirmed with the Governor that the Queensland Government will present two koalas to the Saitama Children's Zoo in 2014 to commemorate the 30 year anniversary of the Queensland-Saitama Sister State relationship.
- We discussed ways to explore new avenues for Queensland-Saitama cooperation under the Agreement to bring about further trade and investment outcomes for both states.
- I thanked the Governor for providing Queensland with the opportunity to participate in the annual Saitama Study Abroad Fair. I highlighted Queensland's strong network of education providers and asked the Governor for his continued assistance to further encourage students and professionals from Saitama to choose Queensland as their study and professional development destination.
- In closing, I invited the Governor to visit and lead a trade delegation to Queensland to mark the 30 year anniversary of the Sister State relationship.

MEETING WITH JAPAN–AUSTRALIA PARLIAMENTARY FRIENDSHIP LEAGUE

Date: Friday 27 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Ichiro Aisawa	Secretary-General of the Japan-Australia Parliamentary Friendship League
Mr Taku Otsuka	Member of the Japan–Australia Parliamentary Friendship League
Mr Yutaka Kumagai	Member of the Japan–Australia Parliamentary Friendship League
Mr Yoshio Urushibara	Member of the Japan–Australia Parliamentary Friendship League
Mr Masayuki Naoshima	Member of the Japan–Australia Parliamentary Friendship League

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- This meeting provided me with an opportunity to reinforce the significance of the Queensland–Japan relationship to the Japan–Australia Parliamentary Friendship League members (JAPFL) and enhance the friendship between the Queensland and Japanese Parliaments.
- JAPFL is the reciprocal organisation of the Australian Japan Parliamentary Group, and fosters friendships in order to deepen its understanding of Australia.
- I highlighted the strong political, economic, social and cultural relationship that Queensland shares with Japan and received a briefing on current priorities for the Japanese Parliament.
- We discussed how the Queensland Parliament and Japanese Parliament could enhance interactions with each other and I invited JAPFL members to visit Queensland.

MEETING WITH MINISTRY OF ECONOMY, TRADE AND INDUSTRY (METI)

Date: Friday 27 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Ms Yukari Sato Parliamentary Vice Minister of Economy, Trade & Industry

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- This meeting provided me with an opportunity to confirm the importance of the relationship with Japan, Queensland's second largest overall trading partner and to explore ways in which Queensland might further strengthen ties with Japan.
- Ms Sato briefed me on the strategic focus of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI). I reinforced Queensland's suitability as a trade partner of Japan.
- METI has a broad policy jurisdiction covering many areas, including industry, trade, economic, manufacturing, energy, environment, safety and security. METI also administers the Agency for Natural Resources and Energy and the Japan Patent Office.
- I promoted Queensland's strengths in food production and natural resources, as energy and food security are ongoing issues for Japan.
- Ms Sato updated me on METI's strategic plan and Japan's energy policy.
- We discussed Brisbane's hosting of the G20 Leaders' Summit in November 2014, and the G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors' Meeting in September 2014 in Cairns.
- Ms Sato requested the Queensland Government work with the new Abbott Government to reduce duplication in approval processes at both the State and Federal levels. I assured Ms Sato her request would be properly addressed.
- I offered congratulations on Tokyo's successful bid to host the 2020 Summer Olympic Games.

MEETING WITH JAPAN EXTERNAL TRADE ORGANIZATION (JETRO)

Date: Friday 27 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Satoshi Miyamoto

Vice Chairman and President, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO)

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- This meeting was a courtesy visit to affirm that the Queensland Government values its relationship with JETRO, a government-related organisation that works to promote mutual trade and investment between Japan and the rest of the world. The JETRO Sydney Office is responsible for business opportunities with Queensland.
- Mr Miyamoto briefed me on JETRO's strategic plan. There is currently a strong focus on global economic partnerships and Japan's economic revitalisation. Periods of economic difficulty and recent natural disasters have influenced this focus.
- I acknowledged the longstanding relationship between the Queensland Government and JETRO, noting JETRO's Sydney Office has worked in collaboration with Trade and Investment Queensland over a number of years to promote export and investment opportunities in Queensland to Japanese trading houses.
- During the discussion, I reinforced Queensland's research strengths and discussed the potential to collaborate in research and development, and projects in third countries, such as infrastructure projects in Asian countries. This is a current area of focus for JETRO.
- I also addressed Queensland's strengths in food and agricultural products and natural resources, and discussed opportunities for further promotion of these sectors to existing and potential Japanese partners.
- We discussed further ways to collaborate and to promote investment into Queensland.

LUNCH MEETING WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF JAPAN

Date: Friday 27 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Shunichi Suzuki

Parliamentary Senior Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- This meeting provided an opportunity for me to express my gratitude to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) for inviting me to Japan as a Guest of Government. I confirmed Queensland's strong commitment to the broader bilateral relationship with Japan and we discussed recent developments in the Australia-Japan relationship.
- MOFA is responsible for bilateral relations with foreign countries including economic relations with Queensland.
- I acknowledged the work done by the Consulate-General of Japan in Brisbane, especially former Consul-General Mr Junzo Fujita in preparation of my program, and mentioned that the Queensland Government, through Trade and Investment Queensland, maintains a close and active relationship with the Consulate. I also noted the recent arrival of the newly appointed Consul-General, Ms Yoko Yanagisawa, to Brisbane on 21 September 2013.
- We discussed the complementarity between the Japanese and Queensland economies. Queensland is a safe, secure and reliable supplier to Japan of food, energy and mineral resources and a world-class centre for financial and other services. Our State is a consumer of Japanese road vehicles, petroleum, petroleum products and related materials, iron and steel, machinery and rubber manufactures.
- I emphasised the ongoing work by this government to remove inefficiencies and reduce excessive government regulation, as well as efforts to keep the cost of doing business competitive.
- I congratulated the government and people of Japan for being awarded the right to host the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo.
- In closing, I reminded Mr Suzuki that the G20 Leaders' Summit will be held in Brisbane, Queensland on 15 and 16 November 2014.

MEETING WITH JAPAN BANK FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION (JBIC)

Date: Friday, 27 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Hiroshi Watanabe Chief Executive Officer and Executive Managing Director, Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC)

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I acknowledged Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) funding for existing Queensland projects, promoted further investment into Queensland's resources and infrastructure sectors, and reinforced the Queensland Government's commitment to streamlining the assessment and approval processes for major projects.
- JBIC is a Japanese policy financing institution wholly owned by the Japanese Government. The role of JBIC is to complement the financing provided by private sector financial institutions. The State of Queensland signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Comprehensive Strategic Partnership with JBIC in December 2011.
- We discussed the MOU between JBIC and the State of Queensland, which highlights the importance of Queensland to Japan as a strategic energy and resources partner. We also spoke about how funding provided by JBIC has enabled Japanese companies to participate in and invest in projects in Queensland.
- Mr Watanabe briefed me on JBIC's future funding plans and I encouraged further support from JBIC for Queensland resources and infrastructure projects.
- Following the meeting, I addressed over 100 Japanese companies at a JBIC seminar. I outlined the Queensland Government's priorities and key achievements, including red and green tape reduction particularly in the energy and infrastructure sectors, and promoted Queensland as a trade and investment partner.

QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT RECEPTION, TOKYO

Date: Friday 27 September 2013

ATTENDEES

His Excellency Mr Bruce Miller

Australian Ambassador to Japan

EVENT SUMMARY

- At this reception, I was provided with the opportunity to meet with and address 150 guests from government and the private sectors, representing a wide range of industries.
- I reinforced Queensland as an ideal business partner for Japan, promoting investment and business opportunities in the State.
- During my speech, I acknowledged the longstanding and strategic relationship that exists between Japan and Queensland and expressed appreciation for the significant contribution that Japanese corporations have made to the development of the Queensland economy.
- I highlighted the ongoing trade and new opportunities for business that exist across a wide range of sectors, from infrastructure and construction to biofuels.
- In closing, I congratulated the government and people of Japan for being awarded the right to host the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo, and remarked that Queensland has a number of companies with successful track records in planning for the Games.

SITE VISIT AND LUNCH WITH SEKISUI HOUSE

Date: Saturday 28 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Isami Wada

Chairman, Representative Director & CEO,
Sekisui House Ltd

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I met with Chairman of Sekisui House who briefed me on their activities and plan for Queensland which provided me with a greater insight into Sekisui House's eco-friendly, sustainable, portable, and affordable design concepts.
- We discussed the establishment of Sekisui House's business in Australia, which is wholly owned by Sekisui House Ltd. The Australian arm of Sekisui House has three projects in Queensland, four projects in NSW, and one project in Victoria. In Queensland, Sekisui House Australia is developing three master planned communities: a 194 hectare Ripley Valley community near Ipswich; a 150 hectare community on the Sunshine Coast; and a 51 house project at Woodlands near Beenleigh.
- I promoted the priorities and commitment of this government, particularly in the construction sector, highlighted Queensland as Australia's premier investment location for housing development and encouraged further investment in the Queensland construction industry.
- Sekisui House representatives provided me with a brief on the vision and business plan for Sekisui House in Queensland.
- In closing, I advised Mr Wada that there is a high housing demand in regional Queensland and encouraged Sekisui House to work with Trade and Investment Queensland to identify further opportunities.

DINNER MEETING WITH IWASAKI GROUP

Date: Sunday 29 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Yoshitaro Iwasaki	President, Iwasaki Group
Mr Yasutoshi Nishimura	Senior Vice Minister of Cabinet, Office of the Prime Minister of Japan
Mr Fumio Hoshi	COO and Senior Managing Director, Japan Bank for International Corporation

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- The Iwasaki Group has a longstanding relationship with Queensland, and my meeting provided and also an opportunity for me to forge a relationship with Mr Iwasaki and hear about the redevelopment proposals for the company's Mercure Capricorn Resort in Yeppoon.
- I thanked Mr Iwasaki for supporting Queensland and for his strong advocacy of Queensland in Japanese political and business circles.
- We exchanged views on the new Japan that has evolved under the administration of Prime Minister Shinzo Abe.
- I highlighted the importance of the longstanding presence of Iwasaki Sangyo Co (Australia) Pty Ltd in Queensland.
- Mr Iwasaki briefed me on the expansion plans that Iwasaki Sangyo Co (Australia) Pty Ltd has for its resort in Yeppoon.

BREAKFAST MEETING WITH JAPAN AIRLINES (JAL)

Date: Monday 30 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Hideki Kikuyama	Senior Managing Executive Officer, Managing Division Route Marketing, JAL
Mr Daiji Nagai	Senior Vice President, Asia & Oceania Region, JAL
Mr Kiyoto Morioka	Vice President, Network Planning, JAL

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- I met with senior representatives of Japan Airlines (JAL) to reaffirm the importance of reinstating services on the Brisbane - Tokyo route, and to confirm Queensland's commitment to working with JAL. Brisbane Airport Corporation (BAC) presented a business case to JAL in June 2013, and is awaiting a decision.
- In opening the discussion, I promoted the strength of the Queensland economy, and highlighted the multi-billion dollar level of trade between Queensland and Japan, which drives business travel between Tokyo and Brisbane.
- I reinforced my Government's support for the return of JAL services to Brisbane. The Queensland Government and BAC have proposed a package of market support and commercial incentives to JAL.
- In terms of building further trade and investment opportunities for the State, I confirmed the importance of this route to the many businesses involved in trade between Japan and Queensland.
- I mentioned my Government's establishment of the Attracting Aviation Investment Fund (AAIF) to encourage airlines to establish routes to Queensland and noted that JAL will be eligible to work with Tourism and Events Queensland under the AAIF.
- In closing, I invited JAL representatives to visit Brisbane to witness firsthand the strength of the Tokyo-Brisbane market, and the transformations this city has undergone.

MEETING WITH JAPAN AUSTRALIA BUSINESS COOPERATION COMMITTEE (JABCC)

Date: Monday 30 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Akio Mimura Chairman, Japan Australia Business Cooperation Committee; and Senior Advisor, Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation (NSSMC)

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- This meeting allowed me to forge a relationship with Mr Akio Mimura, who is one of the most prominent corporate figures in Japan.
- JABCC is the Japan based counterpart of the Australia Japan Business Cooperation Committee (AJBCC). The AJBCC and JABCC enjoy the strong support of both the Australian and Japanese Governments, and have an extensive and powerful contact network.
- NSSMC was formed when Nippon Steel formally merged with Sumitomo Metal Industries on 1 October 2012. In terms of sales and production volume, NSSMC is Japan's largest steel manufacturer producing 47.9 million tonnes of steel and steel products in 2012. This volume makes NSSMC the world's second largest steel producer. Nippon Steel is one of Queensland's largest buyers of coking coal. Nippon Steel has invested in a number of mines in Queensland.
- As part of the discussion, I gained a further understanding of the role of JABCC in promoting business ties between Japan and Australia. I indicated that our State is keen to be considered as a host for future conferences.
- I sought information on the sub committees within the JABCC, in particular the group dedicated to infrastructure, and encouraged JABCC to include Queensland in future business visits to Australia.
- In closing, I reinforced the importance of the strong relationship between Queensland and Japan and thanked JABCC for the significant role they play in growing the economic, social and cultural relationship between Japan and Australia/Queensland.

MEETING WITH MITSUBISHI CORPORATION (MC)

Date: Monday 30 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Yoshihiko Kojima

Chairman of the Board

Mr Bruce Munro

Managing Director, Thiess Australia

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- This meeting provided me with the opportunity to encourage further investment into Queensland by Mitsubishi Corporation (MC) and acknowledge the contribution of MC to the Queensland economy. After the meeting, I oversaw the signing of a Partnership Agreement between MC and Thiess Australia.
- I congratulated MC on the opening of the Daunia Coal mine which I had the opportunity to officially open on 4 September 2013.
- Mr Kojima briefed me on MC's activities and their corporate strategy, "New Strategic Direction", released in May 2013.
- I outlined the Queensland Government priorities and key economic development initiatives and commitment, in particular, to infrastructure and energy.
- We discussed how the company, in line with its "New Strategic Direction", aims to double its metallurgical coal business by 2020, through a focus on increasing productivity and expanding volumes at its existing mines.
- I noted that MC will seek more opportunities in infrastructure projects in Queensland. MC Australia has formulated a new strategy for infrastructure, in particular, public private partnership projects and innovative funding. MC's Partnership Agreement with Thiess Australia forms part of this strategy.

MEETING WITH JAPAN OIL, GAS AND METALS NATIONAL CORPORATION (JOGMEC)

Date: Monday 30 September 2013

ATTENDEES

Mr Hirobumi Kawano

President JOGMEC

MATTERS DISCUSSED

- We discussed further opportunities for collaboration in the development of resources in Queensland through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which we signed during the meeting.
- This is the first comprehensive MOU that JOGMEC has entered in to with any external entity, demonstrating how important Queensland is to Japan. JOGMEC proposed the MOU to explore further opportunities for collaboration in resources development in Queensland including coal, gas (including coal seam gas and other unconventional oil/gas) and minerals including base metals and rare earth metals.
- JOGMEC is an independent administrative agency of the Japanese Government which is mandated to ensure a constant and stable supply of oil, natural gas and mineral resources. JOGMEC was established in 2004 when the former Japan National Oil Corporation was merged with the former Metal Mining Agency of Japan.
- I acknowledged the contribution of JOGMEC in the development of the Queensland resources sector, and encouraged further support from JOGMEC for Queensland resource and infrastructure projects.
- I highlighted the priorities, commitment and achievements of this government, including cuts to red and green tape, particularly in the energy, resources and infrastructure sectors.
- JOGMEC provided equity capital and a liability guarantee for a shale gas development project in Canada during the Japanese fiscal year 2011 (1 April 2011 – 30 March 2012), representing the first unconventional natural gas development project for JOGMEC. I encouraged JOGMEC to consider investment in unconventional gas development in Queensland.

ATTACHMENT 1 – AUSTRALIAN MEDIA

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Newman on trade tour of Asia, UAE

The Australian, Australia, Regional Changes Qld
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17 Sep 2013

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116,655 CIRCULATION

Manning adds clout to talks

Cairns Post, Cairns QLD, General News
Page 6 - 168 words - ASR AUD 319
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23 Sep 2013

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19,337 CIRCULATION

Premier talks business

Gladstone Observer, Gladstone QLD, General News
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24 Sep 2013

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5,835 CIRCULATION

MAYOR VISITING CHINA

Cairns Sun, Cairns QLD, General News
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25 Sep 2013

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58,851 CIRCULATION

Webber notes that Premier Campbell Newman is now back in Australia after a trade ...

ABC Gold and Tweed Coasts, Gold Coast, Drive, Matt Webber
Duration: 0 min 24 secs - ASR AUD 64 - QLD - Australia - ID: W00054746625

01 Oct 2013 3:20 PM

Webber notes that Premier Campbell Newman is now back in Australia after a trade mission to Japan but has said that he has been watching the situation [bikie gang related fight at Nobbys Beach] closely.


4,500 ALL
2,300 MALE 16+
2,300 FEMALE 16+

OUR SAY John Grey Editor john.grey@frasercoastchronicle.com.au Trade trip bears fruit for M'boro

Fraser Coast Chronicle, Hervey Bay QLD, Editorials
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02 Oct 2013

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 7,452 CIRCULATION

Boom time for state tourism

Cairns Post, Cairns QLD, General News
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 19,337 CIRCULATION

'On the cusp' of boom

Brisbane Times, www.brisbanetimes.com.au
217 words - ASR AUD 24 - ID: 216067452

02 Oct 2013 1:51 AM

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 21,753 UNIQUE DAILY VISITORS
156 AV. STORY AUDIENCE

Campbell Newman, Queensland Premier is back from a trade mission to key export ...


SEA FM Cairns, Cairns, 06:30 News, Newsreader
Duration: 0 min 26 secs - ASR AUD 114 - QLD - Australia - ID: W00054754163

02 Oct 2013 6:28 AM

Campbell Newman, Queensland Premier is back from a trade mission to key export partners and investment hubs and says the state is one cusp for a massive boost in tourism with new investments on the table in Port Douglas and Cairns. The Premier and Cairns Mayor Bob Manning recently returned from a trip to China where they discussed investment opportunities trade expansion and tourism.

Interviewees

Campbell Newman, Queensland Premier

 N/A ALL
N/A MALE 16+
N/A FEMALE 16+

Also broadcast from the following 1 station

HOT FM Cairns (Cairns)

The Premier Campbell Newman says Qld is on the cusp of a tourism and investment ...


ABC Sunshine and Cooloolia Coasts, Sunshine Coast, 07:30 News, Newsreader
Duration: 0 min 43 secs - ASR AUD 166 - QLD - Australia - ID: W00054753772

02 Oct 2013 7:31 AM

The Premier Campbell Newman says Qld is on the cusp of a tourism and investment boom after a successful trade mission overseas. Fiona Simpson, Member for Maroochydore, says there will be \$300m worth of investment for Sunshine Coast and investment for a new hotel.

Interviewees

Fiona Simpson, Member for Maroochydore

 6,500 ALL
3,700 MALE 16+
2,800 FEMALE 16+

According to the Queensland Government, a Japanese investment in a major luxury ...

ABC Sunshine and Cooloola Coasts, Sunshine Coast, 08:30 News, Newsreader




02 Oct 2013 8:30 AM

Duration: 0 min 51 secs - ASR AUD 154 - QLD - Australia - ID: W00054756050

According to the Queensland Government, a Japanese investment in a major luxury resort and residential development on the Sunshine Coast will re-invigorate the region. After [Campbell Newman] the Queensland Premier's trade mission to Asia and the Middle East this week, he says Sekisui is keen to move ahead with a development near Coolool Beach as soon as possible. Fiona Simpson, MP for Maroochydore, says the project will be a boom for construction on the region as well as employment.

Interviewees

Fiona Simpson, MP for Maroochydore

 5,100 ALL
 2,500 MALE 16+
 2,600 FEMALE 16+

Interview with Campbell Newman, Queensland Premier who has been on a trade mission ...

612 ABC Brisbane, Brisbane, Mornings, Steve Austin




02 Oct 2013 8:32 AM

Duration: 12 mins 25 secs - ASR AUD 16,132 - QLD - Australia - ID: W00054754553

Interview with Campbell Newman, Queensland Premier who has been on a trade mission to key export partners and has returned to the conflict with motorcycle clubs. He has offered a \$5m bounty to 'dob in a biker' and will be fleshing out the details between the police and the Crime Stoppers board. Dr Alex Douglas, Member for Gaven says that many of the amphetamine labs have been busted by locals anyhow, and that the real concern is the Crime and Misconduct Commission 'dropping the ball' amid the restructure. Newman says Dr Douglas has never approached him on the issue before and won't comment on his statement. He reiterates that he is dedicated to the 'biggest effort that Australia has ever seen' in dealing with criminal gangs. Austin asks if it is hindering their work, not having an AFP office at Broadbeach. He also asks if the Australian Crime Commission is 'pulling its weight', with Newman saying this needs to be put to the Federal Government. Austin says that the Opposition has made the point that when Labor was in Government, they passed the Criminal Organisation Act in 2009, which was opposed by members of Newman's Government including Jarrod Bleijie, Queensland Attorney-General. Newman says they had concerns about the Act at the time, which they didn't think was effective. He mentions that they want to information share with the Australian Tax Office and Centrelink, which will make it easier to pursue individuals involved in gangs.

Interviewees

Campbell Newman, Queensland Premier

 53,000 ALL
 26,000 MALE 16+
 27,000 FEMALE 16+




MacKenzie reads an article in the Cairns Post about a \$200m plus overhaul for the ...

4CA AM, Cairns, John Mackenzie, John MacKenzie

02 Oct 2013 9:09 AM

Duration: 1 min 46 secs - ASR AUD 219 - QLD - Australia - ID: W00054755083

MacKenzie reads an article in the Cairns Post about a \$200m plus overhaul for the Sheraton Mirage resort planned by owner David Murriner and his Chinese investors Fullshare. The news comes as Cathay announced it would launch four non-stop flights between Cairns and Hong Kong. Campbell Newman, [Queensland Premier], revealed the details of the Sheraton Mirage investment after his 16 day trade mission to China, Singapore, Japan and the UAE. MacKenzie says this is an important announcement for the people of Port Douglas.

 N/A ALL
 N/A MALE 16+
 N/A FEMALE 16+

Tapiolas says [Qld] Premier Campbell Newman has been on a trade mission to key ...

ABC North Queensland, Townsville, Mornings, Paula Tapiolas

02 Oct 2013 10:09 AM

Duration: 11 mins 53 secs - ASR AUD 1,479 - QLD - Australia - ID: W00054757109

Tapiolas says [Qld] Premier Campbell Newman has been on a trade mission to key export partners and investment hubs, claiming that Qld is on the cusp of a massive boom in tourism. Tapiolas plays an excerpt of Newman speaking on 612 ABC Brisbane this morning.

Interviewees

Campbell Newman, Queensland Premier [excerpt]

 N/A ALL
 N/A MALE 16+
 N/A FEMALE 16+

Interview with MP for Cairns Gavin King who explains he has touched base with Premier ...

4CA AM, Cairns. John Mackenzie. John MacKenzie


02 Oct 2013 11:13 AM

Duration: 9 mins 41 secs - ASR AUD 1,198 - QLD - Australia - ID: W00054759600

Interview with MP for Cairns Gavin King who explains he has touched base with Premier Campbell Newman about the results of his trade mission to China, Japan and parts of the middle east. King mentions Newman had some extraordinary results, adding the Far North was the 'front and centre' of many of the discussions he had in his part of the world. MacKenzie suggests there is a higher level of confidence that Aquis will get off the ground, and King praises the level of investment that has already gone into the project, especially around the shop front area. King insists that Cathay Pacific is the unsung hero of Cairns for 20 years, adding the announcement of four direct flight per week to Hong Kong will be a significant boost for the economy. King previews the projected influx of people to Cairns in the next five years regardless of projects in the city. King explains there is over a \$1b proposal for the Ella Bay Resort, adding that was discussed in the Premier's trade mission.

Interviewees

Gavin King, MP for Cairns

 N/A ALL
N/A MALE 16+
N/A FEMALE 16+

Bob Manning, Cairns Regional Mayor has returned from a trade mission to China and is ...

WIN Cairns, Cairns. WIN News, Paul Taylor


02 Oct 2013 6:35 PM

Duration: 1 min 25 secs - ASR AUD 1,031 - QLD - Australia - ID: M00054764367

Bob Manning, Cairns Regional Mayor has returned from a trade mission to China and is optimistic that the region will benefit from increased investment. The Sheraton Mirage is getting a \$200m facelift thanks to Chinese investors, following the announcement of the planned Aquis development. In addition, Cathay Pacific has announced that it will commence four non stop flights between Cairns and Hong Kong. David Crisafulli, Queensland Minister for Local Government says the announcement is exciting. The trade mission was led by Campbell Newman, Queensland Premier. Manning did not meet with China Eastern as was planned after they scaled back their direct flights to Cairns.

Interviewees

Bob Manning, Cairns Regional Mayor [David Crisafulli, Queensland Minister for Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience

 20,000 ALL
10,000 MALE 16+
8,000 FEMALE 16+

Sheraton reno

Port Douglas & Mossman Gazette, Port Douglas QLD, General News, Angelique Patterson Nick Dalton

03 Oct 2013

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Investment boom 'coming'

North West Star, Mount Isa QLD, General News

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Cash splash for FNQ

Cairns Post, Cairns QLD, General News, Nick Dalton

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Japanese PM invited

Morning Bulletin, Rockhampton QLD, General News, Michelle Curran
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Huge Yaroomba proposal excites

Sunshine Coast Daily, Maroochydore QLD, Editorials
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Manning confident of rosy future after China visit

Cairns Post, Cairns QLD, General News, Nick Dalton
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Pre-recorded interview with Bob Manning, Mayor, Cairns Regional Council. Dinnen talks ...




ABC Far North, Cairns, Breakfast, Richard Dinnen
Duration: 4 mins 43 secs - ASR AUD 583 - QLD - Australia - ID: W00054769103

03 Oct 2013 7:23 AM

Pre-recorded interview with Bob Manning, Mayor, Cairns Regional Council. Dinnen talks about the recent memorandum of understanding between Cairns and its sister city in China, expanding links between the two cities. Manning talks about the trade mission led by Campbell Newman, Qld Premier, which he was a member of and his activities as part of it. He talks about his discussions with officials in the Chinese sister city. He talks about his meeting with the Australian Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai (AustCham). He talks about the discussions he held with investors and explains what investments they are interested in in the Cairns region. He talks about the new flights between China and Cairns from Cathay Pacific.

Interviewees

Bob Manning, Mayor, Cairns Regional Council [Excerpt]

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 N/A MALE 16+
 N/A FEMALE 16+



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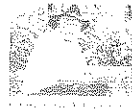
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YOUR STATE QUEENSLAND

Newman on trade tour of Asia, UAE

PREMIER Campbell Newman is on a trade mission with a group of Queensland industry leaders that will take him to China, Japan, Singapore and the United Arab Emirates over the next 16 days. The government said the tour was about finding investment and business opportunities in sectors such as tourism, education, training, resources, construction and science.



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Manning adds clout to talks

CAIRNS Mayor Bob Manning is in China on a trade mission alongside Queensland Premier Campbell Newman.

Cr Manning is the only mayor in the delegation, invited on the back of a growing interest in the Far North by Chinese investors and tourists.

This week he will meet senior government officials and business and industry representatives in both Beijing and Shanghai.

"We'll be presenting the Cairns region as an attractive and profitable destination for investment. A place to visit, to do business and to create long-term partnerships," Cr Manning said.

"We'll also be following up on previous meetings involving myself and Deputy Mayor Terry James and solidifying relationships that have been forged on previous visits."

The itinerary includes business briefings and meetings organised by the Queensland Government that will be attended by representatives from the tourism, education and mining sectors.

He is being joined by representatives of the Cairns Chamber of Commerce, Advance Cairns and Tourism Tropical North Queensland, with the delegation invited to attend the inaugural Zhanjiang Ocean Week and Tourism Culture Festival.



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Premier talks business

IN A move that can improve Gladstone's industry, Premier Campbell Newman is continuing to highlight Queensland's business and industry capabilities in China as part of his trade and investment mission through Asia. Speaking yesterday from Beijing, Mr Newman emphasised the close business and cultural ties between the state and China.



MAYOR VISITING CHINA

CHINA

CAIRNS Mayor Bob Manning hopes to strengthen ties between Cairns and China during a trade mission with Queensland Premier Campbell Newman this week. Cr Manning is the only mayor in the delegation, invited on the back of a growing interest in the far north by Chinese investors and tourists. He will meet senior government officials and business and industry representatives in Beijing and Shanghai, and lead a Cairns delegation to sister city Zhanjiang.



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International schooling is 'our next boom industry'

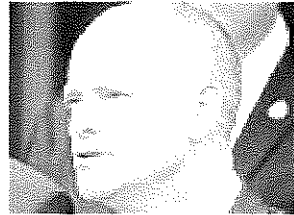
By **RAE WILSON**

INTERNATIONAL students could prove a lucrative market for Queensland, the Premier has learned after a trade mission to Asia.

Campbell Newman said the surprising amount of interest in the education and training sector was so high there were already plans to send Education Minister John-Paul Langbroek to visit countries throughout the Middle East and Asia to capitalise on the great demand.

He said Queensland was also on the cusp of another investment boom in tourism from our Asian neighbours.

He said figures showing a 32% spike in Chinese visitors had fuelled confidence among tourism operators

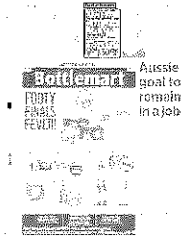


TRADE LESSON: Premier Campbell Newman.

PHOTO: VICKI WOOD/APN

while signs of resurgence in Japan meant there were realistic expectations of a prolonged period of sustained growth for the Queensland mining sector.

"There was a real recognition in the countries we visited that Queensland's economy had matured and was no longer solely dependent on beef and coal exports," he said.



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Tourism bonanza

AN international tourism boom could be heading Queensland's way.

Premier Campbell Newman says key overseas export partners are predicting unprecedented growth in the state's tourism market.

This is partly fuelled by a 32 per cent rise in the number of visitors from China.

Mr Newman has returned from a two-week plus trade mission to the United Arab Emirates, Singapore, China and Japan.

"We are on the cusp of a tourism investment boom," he said.

"We have seen great interest in tourism and agriculture."

Mr Newman said new tourism investments are planned for Port Douglas, Cairns, Hayman Island, the Whitsundays, Yeppoon and the Sunshine Coast.

Mr Newman said there were also signs of a resurgence in Japan's economy and strong growth in China, which should also sustain growth in the mining sector.



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The Cairns Post

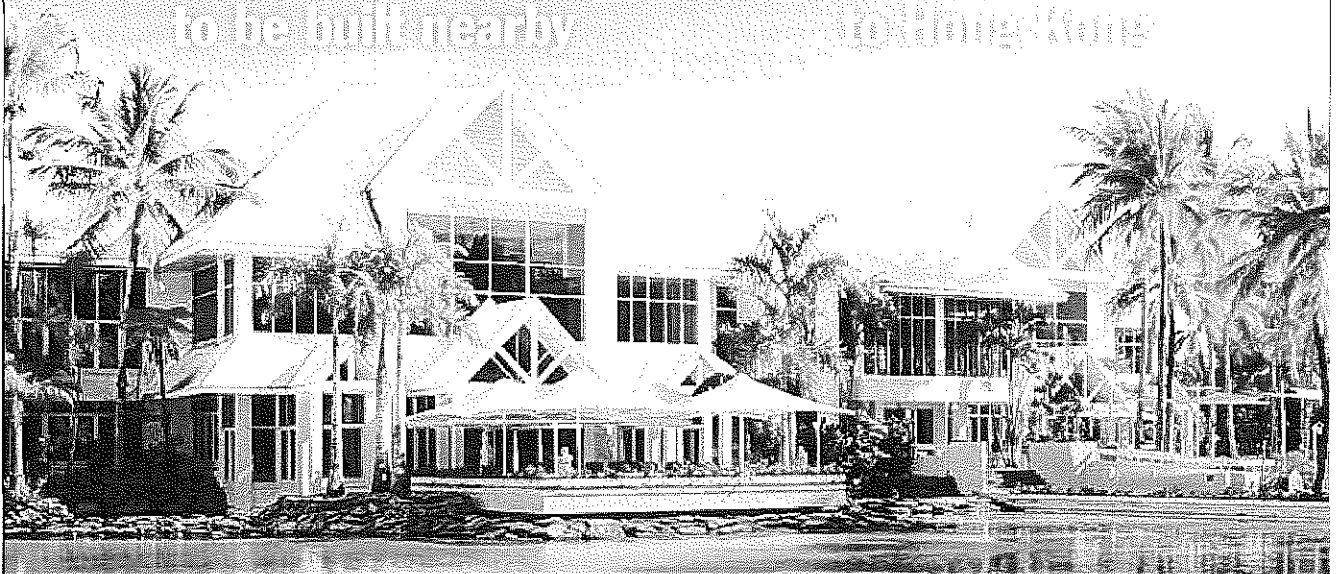
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» \$200m upgrade for Sheraton Mirage Resort and a six-star resort to be built nearby

» Cathay launches four direct flights per week to Hong Kong



Chinese investment in tourism gathers steam

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EXCLUSIVE

THE Jewel in the Port Douglas tourism crown, the Sheraton Mirage Resort, is to shine again with a \$200-million-plus overhaul.

Plans by its owner, Melbourne-based theatre operator David Murriner and his Chinese investors, the Fullshare Group, include an upgrade of the resort, a new six-star guest property plus a new golf course.

The news comes as Cathay Pacific announced it would launch four non-stop flights between Cairns and Hong Kong, a move that will forge stronger links with one of Asia's foremost commercial hubs.

Queensland Premier Campbell Newman revealed

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details of the Sheraton Mirage investment after his 16-day trade mission to China, Singapore, Japan and the United Arab Emirates.

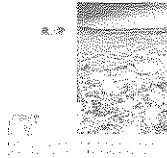
Mr Newman said the resort would have "a major refurbishment".

"They're contemplating not only doing up the existing resort but probably investing in a six-star resort on the existing site," he said.

The Fullshare Group owns Sheraton Mirage, Whisper Bay Apartments in the Whiteundays and Fullshare Laguna Resort near Proserpine.

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Enter the Dragon as resort set for revamp International market responds to promotion

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"The company is planning to refurbish and upgrade all of its hotels, and intends to transform its Sheraton Marina Mirage in Port Douglas into a six-star resort and a five-star resort, with a total outlay of about \$350 million," Mr Newman said.

"They are also planning a new golf course on site."

The Cairns Post understands the lion's share of the \$350 million will be spent at Port Douglas.

Mr Marriner bought the resort in 2011 for \$35 million and then with the Chinese investors from the Fullshare Group spent \$56 million for the Whisper Bay resort at Airlie Beach.

Mr Newman said the proposals could not have come at a better time.

"My government has prioritised tourism as one of Queens-

land's four economic pillars and the international market has responded," he said.

"Indeed, this proposed development is recognition of how quickly the tourism industry has matured under the Newman Government, and the esteem with which North Queensland is regarded internationally.

"The developments will create jobs during the construction phase of the project, not to mention the ongoing operational jobs that would follow.

"I welcome the proposals and will be taking a personal interest in how these projects develop.

"Recent figures that show a 32 per cent spike in the number of visitors from China have fuelled confidence among tourism operators.

"We were able to make significant progress in our discussions with investors, and there was optimism

among the delegates of an unprecedented period of growth in Queensland's tourism industry.

"We're also confident that we've taken steps towards persuading airlines to expand their services into our state.

"With a value of \$14.8 billion a year, China is Queensland's single largest trading partner and we see great potential for Chinese investment to drive some of the major projects that Queensland needs.

"For example, there's a great opportunity for partnership between the Australian and Chinese business sectors to create new irrigation schemes on the Gilbert River in Queensland's Far North."

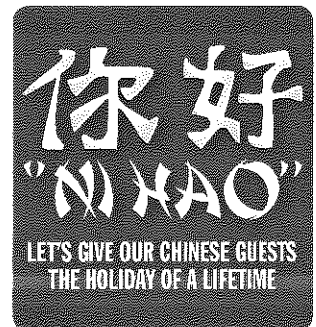
Ella Bay developer Rod Lamb, who was on the trade mission, is also confident of a start on his \$1.4 billion ecotourism project near Innisfail.

"I received a great deal of

interest from investors on the mission, especially from the United Arab Emirates and in Singapore," he said.

"All things remaining equal we expect to see some major developments in the Ella Bay project over coming months.

"One of the reasons the project garnered so much international interest was the relentless effort the Newman Government, in particular the Premier, have put into its promotion."





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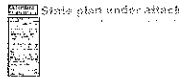
Picture perfect: Four Mile Beach at Port Douglas with the Sheraton Mirage Resort. The resort's owner, and Chinese investors, are ready to spend up big to revamp their interests in the region.



\$200 million upgrade: The Sheraton Mirage Resort at Port Douglas.



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Queensland tourism boom

BRISBANE — An international tourism boom could be heading Queensland's way.

Premier Campbell Newman says key overseas export partners are predicting unprecedented growth in the state's tourism market.

This is partly fuelled by a 32 per cent rise in the number of visitors from China.

Mr Newman has returned from a two-week plus trade mission to the United Arab Emirates, Singapore, China and Japan.

"We are on the cusp of a tourism investment boom," he said.



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International schooling is 'our next boom industry'

By **RAE WILSON**

INTERNATIONAL students could prove a lucrative market for Queensland, the Premier has learned after a trade mission to Asia.

Campbell Newman said the surprising amount of interest in the education and training sector was so high there were already plans to send Education Minister John-Paul Langbroek to visit countries throughout the Middle East and Asia to capitalise on the great demand.

He said Queensland was also on the cusp of another investment boom in tourism from our Asian neighbours.

He said figures showing a 32% spike in Chinese visitors had fuelled confidence among tourism operators



TRADE LESSON: Premier Campbell Newman.

PHOTO: VICKI WOOD/APN

while signs of resurgence in Japan meant there were realistic expectations of a prolonged period of sustained growth for the Queensland mining sector.

"There was a real recognition in the countries we visited that Queensland's economy had matured and was no longer solely dependent on beef and coal exports," he said.



TOURISM: NEWMAN TIPS REGIONAL BOOM

Developers plan major investment

QUEENSLAND is on the cusp of a massive boom in tourism with new investments on the table, including major refurbishments of Hayman Island and Whisper Bay Apartments in the Whitsundays and the resurrection of the former Laguna Quays resort near Proserpine.

There is also burgeoning interest from tourists from the UAE, China and Japan.


That's the message Premier Campbell Newman has brought back from a trade mission to key export partners and investment hubs.

"We were able to make significant progress in our discussions with investors, and there was optimism among the delegates of an unprecedented period of growth in Queensland's tourism industry," Mr Newman said.

Kerzner International, operators of Dubai's world famous Atlantis the Palm, have secured the management rights for Hayman Island and will be spending \$40 million to refurbish it.

Kerzner International is the developer of the "One&Only" chain of luxury resorts, which are up there with the most exclusive resorts anywhere in the world.

Fullshare Developments is planning to refurbish its Whisper Bay Apartments in the Whitsundays and



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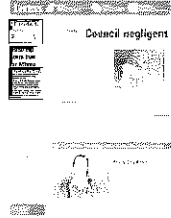
Fullshare Laguna Resort.

"These proposals from Kerzner International and Fullshare Group could not have come at a better time," Mr Newman said.

"My government has prioritised tourism as one of Queensland's four economic pillars and the international market has responded.

"Indeed, this proposed development is recognition of how quickly the tourism industry has matured under the Newman Government, and the esteem with which the spectacular Hayman Island is regarded internationally.

"The developments would create jobs during the construction phase of the project, not to mention the ongoing operational jobs that would follow. I welcome the proposals and will be taking a personal interest in how these projects develop."



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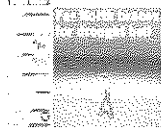
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Trade trip bears fruit for M'boro

THE economy of Maryborough – long subject to the ups and downs of heavy industry – has received a welcome boost with the promise of a big Middle Eastern deal.

Premier Campbell Newman, newly returned from a trade mission, says Dubai wants to buy railway rolling stock built in Maryborough (report, Page 2).

Details were slim but positive as we went to press last night. Keep an eye on future issues of the Chronicle for developments.



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Boom time for state tourism

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Mr Newman has returned from a trade mission to the United Arab Emirates, Singapore, China and Japan.

"We are on the cusp of a tourism investment boom," he said. "We have seen great interest in tourism and agriculture."

Mr Newman said new tourism investments were popping up along the coast, including in Port Douglas, Cairns, Hayman Island, the Whitsundays, Yeppoon and the Sunshine Coast. He's confident airlines will be persuaded to expand services.



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Sheraton reno

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FORMER Prime Minister Bob Hawke has been hired as a consultant to the new owners of the Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas Resort.

He said that the Fullshare Group would be making "a substantial investment" at Port Douglas as well as their newly acquired properties at Proserpine and Airline Beach.

After returning from a trade mission to China, Premier Campbell Newman this week revealed the company would be spending \$350 million on the three properties, with the bulk of it spent at Port Douglas, to restore the resort to five-star status.

Mr Newman said the plan is to refurbish and upgrade the resort and also build a six-star resort on the Sheraton grounds and even build a new golf course.

The Hong Kong-based Chinese Fullshare Group has bought the Mirage, as well as the other two resorts, from Melbourne theatre magnate David Marriner, who originally bought the Sheraton Mirage in 2011 for \$35 million.

Mr Hawke said Fullshare was "absolutely committed to making the investments as attractive as possible".

He said he was not aware of the

detail nor when work would start but understood the golf courses at Port Douglas and Laguna Quays needed to be upgraded to "really good condition".

Mr Hawke said he expected work to start this year, "in the not so distant future".

Cairns Mayor Bob Manning, who was the only mayor on the trade mission, said he expected the work to start in weeks, not months, with documents to be lodged in a fortnight.

He said with the level of investment of about \$200m it would employ about 200 people.

Sheraton Mirage general manager Lachlan Walker said the announcement was premature and the plans are still being finalised.

"We are very excited with the announced plans for the Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas and look forward to working with the Fullshare Group, at this stage it is too early to release any further details," he said.

Douglas Chamber of Commerce treasurer and manager of the Combined Club Kym Rowley said, once the upgrade is complete, it will bring in more visitors, which will benefit the whole region.

"I think it's a great move for this town from a commercial point of view and hopefully it will be the start of more things to happen," he said.

"In the days when the Sheraton was pumping, the whole town was pumping."

Division 10 Councillor Julia Leu said this is "excellent news".

"It bodes very well for the future of Port Douglas having significant investment into this fabulous property," she said.

"It is in major need of significant investment to realise its full potential to reflect its stunning location and as an anchor property for Douglas.

"This is news we have been waiting for for a long time. It will be a significant catalyst to drive much needed further investment into our region."

Urban Development Institute of Australia Far North president Adam Gowlett said it was "fantastic news".

"The region is on the cusp of great things. Our economy is being buoyed in many sectors. Our eggs are not all in just one basket which is very important," he said.

Port Douglas and Daintree Tourism executive officer Doug Ryan said the business community welcomed the news and was eagerly awaiting details.

"It's fantastic," he said.

"The redevelopment of the property has been promised for so long and people are saying it's about time. They feel it's well overdue."

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Investment boom 'coming'

Tourism set for \$6.4 billion worth of investment: Newman

QUEENSLAND is on the cusp of a "tourism and investment boom".

Premier Campbell Newman says he "really believes" that, following a two-week trade mission overseas.

Mr Newman said the trip, which took in the United Arab Emirates, Singapore, China and Japan not only proved "Queensland had a great story to tell", but also people were listening.

The Premier listed \$6.4 billion worth of investment and construction, which was planned over the next two years in the state's tourism industry alone,

including: Chinese investment consortium The Fullshare Group had committed \$350 million to a "major refurbishment" of the Mirage resort at Port Douglas, "not only doing up the existing resort, but

investing in a six-star resort in the existing site"; The \$4.3 billion Yorkeys Knob Aquis proposal, "which Tony Fung out of Hong Kong is very keen to progress and is ramping up for his approvals"; The Ella Bay resort proposal of more than \$1 billion and the proponent of that was out spruiking to investors in the various locations (visited by the trade mission); \$40 to \$50 million refurbishment of Hayman Island Resort after being taken over by the One & Only Group, "once again re-establishing its pre-eminence as a top resort internationally"; The refurbishment of the Laguna Bay Resort (also by The Fullshare Group); a \$300 million "four- or five-star" resort and residential development at Coolum on the Sunshine Coast; and a \$450 million makeover of

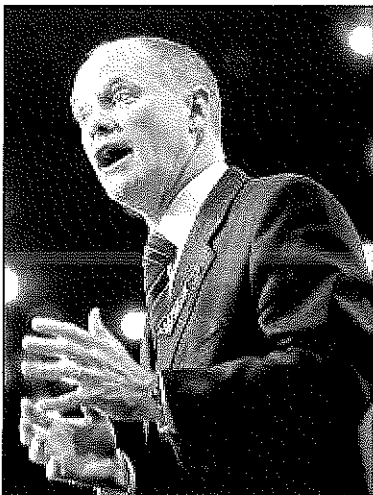
the Iwasaki Resort at Yeppoon by The Iwasaki Group.

Mr Newman said there was also interest shown in agricultural projects, particularly the

Gilbert River irrigation scheme in the state's north, as well as "burgeoning interest" from tourists from China, Japan and the UAE.

After learning of the interest in the education and training sector, described as the "surprise packet of the trip" by Mr Newman, Education Minister John-Paul Langbroek will be the next to head overseas to spruik the state's wares, again concentrating on the Middle East and Asia "to capitalise on the great demand for high-quality tertiary education".

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ON THE CUSP: Campbell Newman believes the state is about to hit a tourism boom.



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FORMER PM, MAYOR PUT IN THEIR TWO BOB'S WORTH

Cash splash for FNQ



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Premier Campbell Newman revealed in *The Cairns Post* yesterday that the company would be spending \$350 million on the three properties, the bulk of it at Port Douglas, which included upgrading the resort, a new six-star resort and

golf course improvements.

He announced the investment after a trade mission to China.

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Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas sales and marketing director Elena Fragasso said "we are really excited" about the announcement.

"We are looking forward to working with the Fullshare Group and hope to release any new details in due course," she said.

Cairns Chamber of Commerce

acting chief executive officer Danae Jones said it showed there was "renewed confidence in our region and investors are willing to put their money where their mouth is".

"An investment of this size in one of the Far North's iconic pieces of infrastructure is fantastic news, not only for the people of Port Douglas, but for Far North Queensland as a

whole and the flow-on effects will be noticeable," she said.

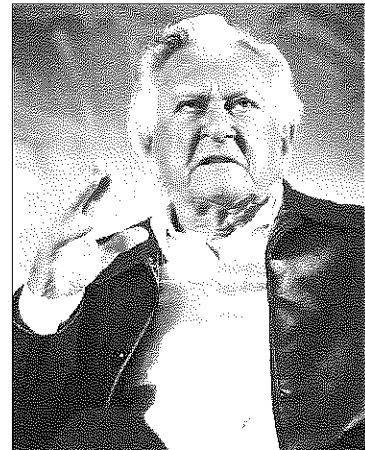
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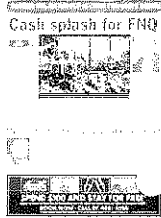
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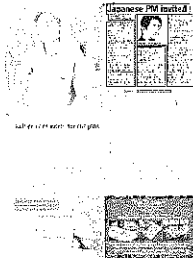




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Major work: The Sheraton Mirage Port Douglas Resort will have an upgrade as part of Fullshare's commitment to the region



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Japanese PM invited

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QUEENSLAND Premier Campbell Newman intends to invite Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe to a meeting in Rockhampton next year.

The idea for the visit emerged last week during Mr Newman's trade mission to Asia which included a meeting with Iwasaki Group president Yoshitaro Iwasaki in Japan.

Mr Iwasaki, who owns the Mercure Capricorn Resort Yeppoon, said he hoped to invite Mr Abe to Rockhampton following the G20 in Brisbane during November next year and asked if the Premier would consider jointly hosting the visit.

Mr Newman said he would be delighted to be involved in Mr Abe's visit.



Japanese PM Shinzo Abe.

"The Newman Government would be honoured to showcase Rockhampton and its surrounding areas to a man of Mr Abe's standing," Mr Newman said.

"I will be writing to Prime Minister Abe to extend a formal invitation to visit Rockhampton on behalf of the State of Queensland.

"A visit from Prime Minister Abe would reflect Rockhampton's standing as one of Queensland's most

vital regional centres," he said.

Rockhampton has had a sister city friendship with Ibusaki in Japan for the past 33 years.

A media spokesperson for Mr Newman said the invitation was a reflection of the long-standing relationship of the two regions and Japan by extension.

While in Japan, Mr Newman was briefed on the Iwasaki Group's plans to upgrade and re-develop the 300 suite Mercure resort on the Capricorn Coast, which will cost approximately \$350 million, and create employment for many.

"The continued investment by Mr Iwasaki strengthens that relationship, and underscores the strong ties between the two regions," he said.



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Huge Yaroomba proposal excites

QUEENSLAND Premier Campbell Newman is excited about property developer Sekisui House's proposed major redevelopment of beachfront land at Yaroomba.

The announcement of this development comes in the wake of the Premier's recent trade mission to Asia and the Middle East, during which he promoted Sunshine Coast tourism to international investors.

The Sunshine Coast Daily will follow this exciting proposal closely and unveil all details as they are released.

We share Member for Maroochydore Fiona Simpson's appraisal that this development - which some

government sources estimate could be worth more than \$1billion - could be the tipping point for the Sunshine Coast.

We have a world-class tourism product here - pristine, unspoilt sandy beaches, lush rainforest-clad mountains, delightfully diverse village communities, endless hectares of green space and a mild climate all year round.

Yet, we've only really attracted drive-in tourists.

This proposed eco-friendly resort development could be the drawcard the Coast needs to attract holiday-makers from Asia and beyond. As Mr Newman said, this proposal could not have come at a better time.



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Manning confident of rosy future after China visit

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THE Far North has been tipped to attract a level of overseas investment – particularly from China – never seen before and which would sustain the region for up to the next 20 years.

Cairns Mayor Bob Manning said the proposed \$4.2 billion Aquis mega-resort at Yorkeys Knob would underpin the growth and was already attracting more investment.

On Tuesday, Cr Manning returned from the Chinese leg of Premier Campbell Newman's trade mission to Asia and the Middle East and revealed that:

- The \$200 million Sheraton Mirage Resort redevelopment at Port Douglas would begin within weeks and employ at

least 200 people.

- Talks took place with the chairman and son of an unnamed Chinese corporation that had tens of billions of dollars invested in tourism, mining and property.

- Double Island and Acacia

Court Hotel owner Benny Wu is investing more in the region, particularly at Kewarra Beach and its resort.

- He is confident airline China Eastern will reconsider its suspended direct flights from Shanghai.

- China Southern Airlines will consider direct flights from sister city Zhanjiang to Cairns.

- A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between Zhanjiang and Cairns for business links between the two cities, particularly regarding tourism

development.

- The mayor expected a major decision on the Aquis project in six months.

Cr Manning said Aquis would be “a very strong magnet and attract more investment to the region”.

He said the level of investment by the Chinese would be bigger than the heydays of the big-spending Japanese, particularly Daikyo.

Cr Manning said the Chinese were keen to invest in Australia and the Far

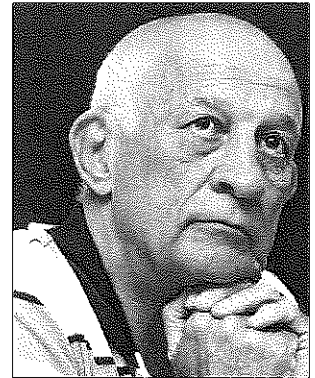
North and it was now a matter of establishing links, developing and understanding trusts and confidences.

He said he was feeling more confident and that the future of Cairns was “rosy.”

“If the level of investment is as big as expected, there will be a period of substantial

growth within this region,” he said.

Cr Manning added that the region's businesspeople had a big role to play in developing Zhanjiang's tourism industry of 18 million visitors a year.



Bob Manning

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Mohamed bin Zayed receives Premier of Australia's Queensland State

Abu Dhabi, 16 Sept. 2013 (WAM) - His Highness General Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces received this evening at Al Bahr Palace Campbell Newman, Premier of the Australian State of Queensland who is heading a state delegation on a visit to the UAE.

Sheikh Mohamed welcomed Newman and praised the progressive UAE-Australian ties. He also expressed the hope that relations between the UAE and Queensland will witness further progress.

The meeting touched on issues of mutual interest, including ways to strengthen ties of friendship and cooperation.

Sheikh Mohammed said he was pleased with the joint strategic cooperation agreement signed today between the governments of Abu Dhabi and Queensland, adding that he was confident that the agreement will open doors for a new phase of strategic partnership and cooperation.

Newman said the government of Queensland was keen on developing relations of cooperation and friendship with the UAE. He said he was delighted to visit the UAE and looking forward to achieving positive outcome. He also lauded the progress witnessed in the UAE.

Present were H.H. Sheikh Tahnoun bin Mohammed Al Nahyan, Abu Dhabi Ruler's Representative in the Eastern Region, H.H. Sheikh Nahyan bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan Charitable and Humanitarian Foundation, H.H. Lt. General Sheikh Saif bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior, Sheikh Nahyan bin Mubarak Al Nahyan, Minister of Culture, Youth and Community Development, Sheikhs, senior officials and Australian Ambassador Pablo Kang.

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Abu Dhabi and Queensland sign economic cooperation agreement

Agreement to lead a new phase of partnership and strategic cooperation between Abu Dhabi and Queensland

Abu Dhabi: The Government of Abu Dhabi and the Australian State of Queensland Monday signed a cooperation agreement to strengthen strategic cooperation in a number of economic and development sectors and thus contribute to the strengthening of relations between the two sides.

The agreement was signed by Nasser Ahmad Al Suwaidi, chairman of Department of Economic Development - Abu Dhabi, representing the Government of Abu Dhabi, and Campbell Newman, Premier of the State of Queensland Government.

General Shaikh Mohammad Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Abu Dhabi Crown Prince and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces, on Monday received Newman and his accompanying delegation after the agreement was signed.

Shaikh Mohammad expressed his satisfaction with the signing of the cooperation agreement, and said that he was confident that it will lead to a new phase of partnership and strategic cooperation between Abu Dhabi and Queensland. Shaikh Mohammad added that the agreement represents a strong boost in the framework of joint work and cooperation for the mutual benefit of both peoples.

Newman stressed Queensland's keenness to further enhance relations with the UAE. He expressed his wishes that the agreement would meet the aspirations of both parties.

Lieutenant General Shaikh Saif Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior, Shaikh Nahyan Bin Mubarak Al Nahyan, Minister of Culture, Youth, and Community Development, and other Shaikhs and senior officials were present.

Before the signing ceremony, Al Suwaidi said, "Today we are looking forward to expanding the circle of mutual cooperation between the two sides to include several strategic sectors, particularly in the fields of industry, environment, tourism, trade and other sectors, which constitute the hub and a prime platform for building relationships and sustainable partnerships between the two sides", he said.

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Sharjah Ruler receives condolences

Dr Shaikh Sultan receives condolences on death of Shaikha Alia

Sharjah - His Highness Dr Shaikh Sultan Bin Mohammad Al Qasimi, Supreme Council Member and Ruler of Sharjah, yesterday received condolences from a number of shaikhs and senior officials on the death of his sister, Shaikha Alia Bint Mohammad Bin Saqr Al Qasimi.

Receiving condolences alongside Dr Shaikh Sultan was Shaikh Abdullah Bin Salem Bin Sultan Al Qasimi, Deputy Ruler of Sharjah.

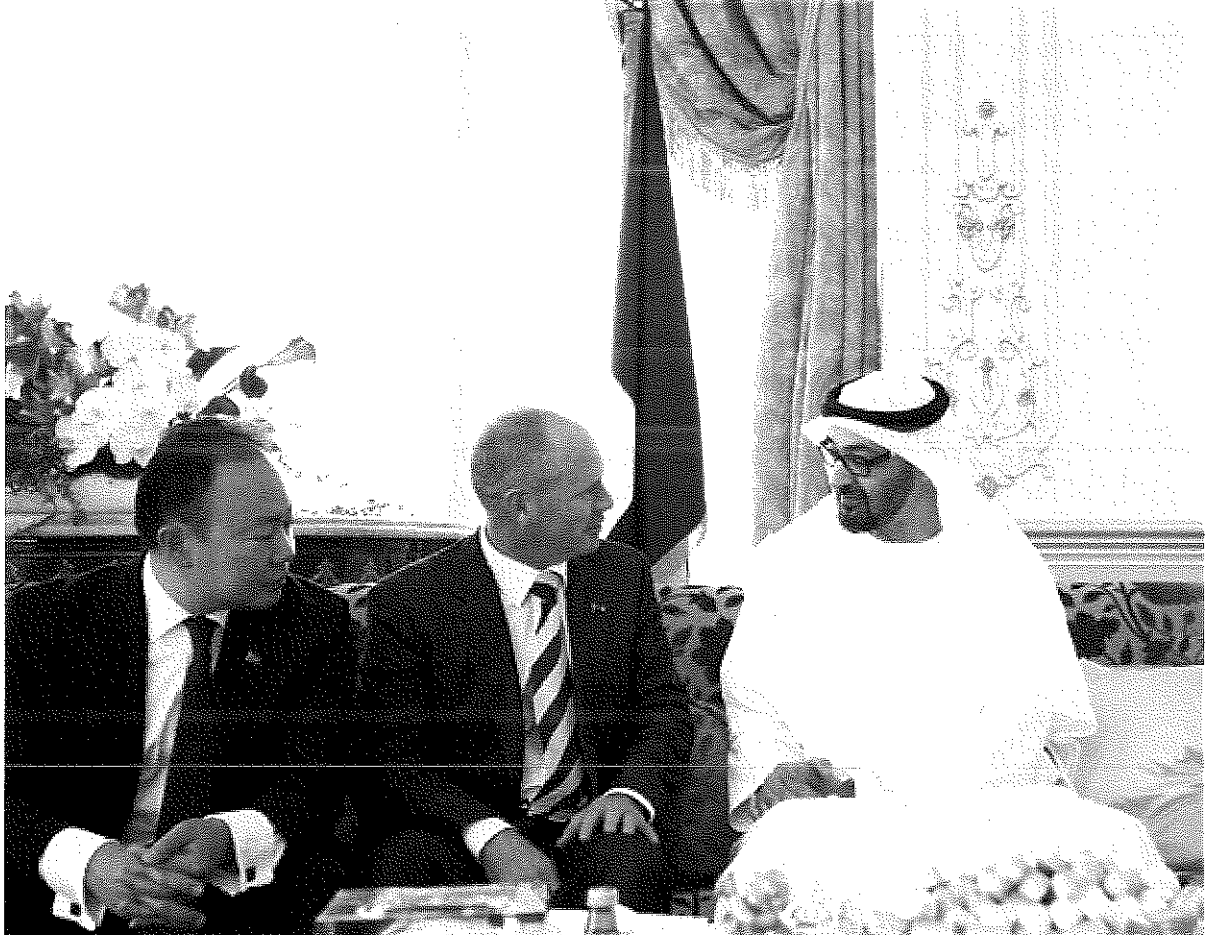
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Gen Mohammed receives Queensland PM

Discusses issues of mutual interest



General Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan meets Campbell Newman, Premier of the Australian State of Queensland, at Al Bahr Palace on Monday (Wam)

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Mohammed bin Zayed appoints new member to Abu Dhabi Tourism and Culture Authority's Board

General Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces and Chairman of the Abu Dhabi Executive Council, has issued a decision appointing Mohammed Khalifa Ahmed Al Mubarak as a member of the Board of Directors of Abu Dhabi Tourism and Culture Authority to replace Jassim Mohammed Al Darmaki.

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Sheikh Sultan receives more condolences



SHARJAH: Supreme Council Member and Ruler of Sharjah His Highness Dr Sheikh Sultan Bin Mohammed Al Qasimi on Wednesday continued receiving condolences from sheikhs, ministers, dignitaries, UAE nationals and citizens of Arab, Islamic and foreign communities in the presence of Sheikh Abdullah Bin Salem Bin Sultan Al Qasimi, Deputy Ruler of Sharjah.

Sheikh Sultan and Sheikh Abdullah received condolences in Al Badie Palace from Sheikh Rashid Bin Saud Bin Rashid Al Mualla, Crown Prince of Umm Al Quwain, and Mohammed Ahmed Al Murr, Federal National Council Speaker.

They also received condolences from Dr. Hadeef Bin Ju'ian Al Dhaheri, Minister of Justice, Dr. Rashid Ahmed Bin Fahad, Minister of Environment and Water, Campbell Newman, Premier of Queensland of Australia, and a number of GCC ambassadors, consuls and members of diplomatic corps of Arab, Islamic and foreign countries, a delegation of senior UAE armed forces officers and a number of media men.

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Al Qattami, Queensland State Premier discuss educational cooperation

Humaid bin Mohammed Obaid Al Qattami, Minister of Education said the Ministry is closely following up the latest international educational developments, and exerting all efforts to keep pace with the developments in areas of knowledge, curricula, assessment and evaluation systems, rehabilitation experiences and occupational development. He noted that the UAE Vision 2021, on education objectives and competitiveness, has established basis for new relations between the Ministry of Education and its counterparts in the developed countries. This came when the Education Minister received in his office today, Campbell Newman, Premier of the Australian State of Queensland and his accompanying delegation in the presence of a number of officials.

Al Qattami cited the achievements attained by the UAE in various field, thanks to the directives of President His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum and Their Highnesses Rulers of the Emirates.

He added that the international stature of the UAE, poses a number of challenges to the Ministry, which is tasked to prepare a pioneering generation able to deal with future challenges.

Campbell Newman said that his visit to the UAE was fruitful and that he has seen a country is racing with time, citing the UAE achievements and future expectations as well.

"I had the chance to see the features of a modern, welfare and prosperous country, which achieved all these in a short and record time," he added.

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Chinese Vice Premier urges faster FTA negotiations with Australia

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中国国务院副总理汪洋23日在北京中南海紫光阁会见了澳大利亚昆士兰州州长坎贝尔·纽曼（Campbell Newman）一行。

汪洋表示，当前中澳关系发展良好，经贸、文化、教育、科技等各领域合作进展顺利、成效显著。中澳经济有很强的互补性，双方应共同努力，加快推进自由贸易协定谈判进程，中方愿与昆士兰州加强在农业技术、旅游等领域的合作。纽曼表示，中国是昆士兰州最重要的投资与贸易伙伴，愿进一步深化双方经贸合

作，为发展澳中关系发挥应有的作用。上财年，昆州与中国双边贸易额达148亿澳元，预计本财年中国对昆州直接投资额将达到46亿澳元。

自2005年以来，中国和澳大利亚已经就自由贸易协定，进行了19轮谈判。最近的一次是6月4日至6日，当时谈判在北京举行。

此前，汪洋还会见了来华访问的美国经济趋势基金会会长、《第三次工业革命》作者里夫金及其夫人。

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English

Chinese Vice Premier urges faster FTA negotiations with Australia

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/photo/2013-09/23/c_132744026_2.htm

Chinese Vice Premier Wang Yang (R) meets with Campbell Newman, premier of the Australian state of Queensland, in Beijing, capital of China, Sept. 23, 2013 (Xinhua/Rao Aimin)

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China would like to enhance cooperation with Queensland on agricultural technology and tourism, Wang added.

Newman said China is the most important investment and trade partner of Queensland. Queensland will further advance the economic and trade cooperation with China and contribute to Australia-China relations.

The bilateral trade between Queensland and China reached A\$14.8 billion in the last financial year, it is estimated that the Chinese Foreign Direct Investment to Queensland will reach A\$4.6 billion in value in the next financial year.

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<http://www.cofco.com/cn/about/news/23328.html>

Premier Newman's meeting with Jian-Ping Ma, Vice President of China Oil and Food Corporation COFCO:

9月23日，集团副总裁马建平在中粮福临门大厦会见了澳大利亚昆士兰州州长Campbell Newman一行。双方围绕澳大利亚农业发展、中国企业赴澳投资等共同关心的问题进行了交流与探讨。

Mr. Jian-Ping Ma, Vice President of COFCO met with the Hon. Campbell Newman, Premier of Queensland and his delegation on 23rd September. The meeting focused on the discussions about the development of the Australian agriculture industry and opportunities for Chinese investor to invest in Australia.

马建平对州长先生长期以来给予中粮在当地业务发展的支持与帮助表示感谢。他表示，澳大利亚有着丰富的自然资源，农业产业综合实力雄厚，对于中国来讲是一个重要的潜在供应商，所以中粮非常重视在本地区的投资与发展，未来中粮也会加大在澳大利亚，特别是昆士兰地区的投资。

Mr. Ma expressed his appreciation to Premier Newman for the ongoing support and assistance that the Queensland Government provided to COFCO and its investment. COFCO values its investment in Australia, and would increase its investment particularly in Queensland. Mr. Ma believes that the rich natural resources and the strong agricultural industry capabilities of Australia will enable it to become an increasingly important potential food supplier to China.

Campbell

Newman感谢中粮对澳大利亚、昆士兰州农产品领域的关注，对中粮和当地政府多年来保持良好的互惠合作关系做出了高度评价。他表示，昆士兰州政府非常欢迎中粮在昆士兰州的商业活动和投资，欢迎中粮参与到当地的农业发展中，并将全力支持中粮在澳洲的投资与发展。

Premier Newman acknowledged COFCO's investment interest and focus in the agriculture industries in Queensland and Australia. Premier Newman speaks highly about COFCO's investment and how the company maintained a close and positive relationship with the local governments. Queensland welcomes the investment from COFCO and encourages the company to be engaged in the local agriculture development. Queensland Government would continue to provide assistance and support in term of their investment and development in Queensland.

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<http://www.mcc.com.cn/Item/41317.aspx>

China Metallurgical Group Corporation – MCC Overseas Engineering Co., Ltd invited to attend the Queensland Government Reception:

中冶海外应邀出席澳大利亚昆士兰州招待午宴

Mr. Wei Ming Zou, the President and General Manager of MCC Overseas Engineering Co., Ltd. was invited to attend the Queensland Government Reception at the China World Hotel on 23rd September.

During the reception, Mr. Zou had a friendly discussion with the Queensland Premier, Hon. Campbell Newman. Mr. Zou briefly introduced the core businesses and investment projects that MCC Overseas Engineering Co. Ltd has in Queensland.

Premier Newman says that the current government would welcome major Chinese corporation such as China Metallurgical Group to invest and operate in Queensland, Australia. Queensland has abundant mineral and resource and offers opportunities for China Metallurgical Group to explore, develop and construct.

9月23日中午，中冶海外工程有限公司董事长、总经理邹维民应澳大利亚昆士兰州州长CAMPBELL NEWMAN

先生邀请出席了在北京中国大饭店举办的招待午宴。席间邹维民与CAMPBELL州长进行了亲切地交谈。邹维民就中冶的主业板块及近年在澳大利亚特别是昆士兰州的项目情况进行了简单介绍。CAMPBELL州长表示本届政府将一如既往的大力支持像中冶这样的大型中资企业在澳经营，并提出昆州蕴藏大量的矿产资源，会有更多的商机值得中冶去跟踪、开发和承建。

Over 100 guests were invited to the reception including distinguished guest like Mr. Ben Myers, Chief of Staff in the Premier's office, Ms Catherine Tanna of BG Corporation, Mr. Daniel Farquhar from Seymour Energy, Deputy General Manager Mr. Zhao of China Power International New Energy Holding Ltd and also China Chamber of Commerce of Metals Minerals & Chemicals Importers & Exporters and other key enterprises representatives.

出席此次午宴的还有昆州州长办公室主任BEN MYERS 先生，BG集团董事长CATHERINE TANNA 女士，Seymour Energy 公司总裁Daniel Farquhar 先生，中电国际副总经理赵亚洲以及中国五矿化工进出口商会等中澳有关政企代表100余人。

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ww.CCTV.com (sourced from Xinhuanet)

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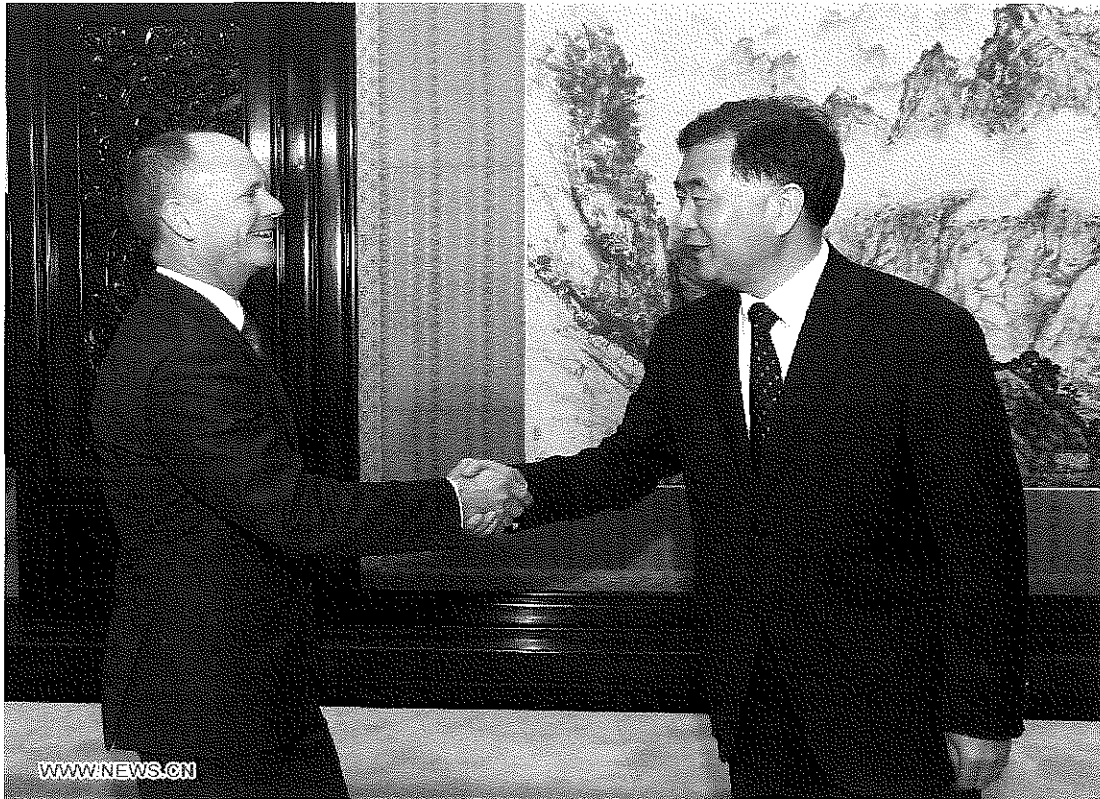
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Japanese

豪州 クイーンズランド州首相が東日本製鉄所（京浜地区）を視察

2013年9月26日、日本政府の招聘で来日されている豪州クイーンズランド州のニューマン首相が、当社の東日本製鉄所（京浜地区）を視察されました。今回の視察は、同州と関わりが深い当社の視察を行いたいとの首相のご意向を受けて行われたものです。

当日は林田英治代表取締役社長、柿木厚司代表取締役副社長、丹村洋一専務執行役員（東日本製鉄所長）、弟子丸慎一常務執行役員（東日本製鉄所京浜地区所長）、鈴木彰常務執行役員らが首相ご一行をお迎えし、製鉄所内をご案内しました。

現在、当社はクイーンズランド州から多くの原料炭を輸入しており、また、同州においてパイヤウエン炭鉱他の石炭権益を保有しています。同州は、当社の高品位原料炭の長期安定確保にとって最も重要な地域です。

27 September 2013

Japanese

JFE Steel Corporation: News Release <http://www.jfe-steel.co.jp/release/2013/09/130927.html>

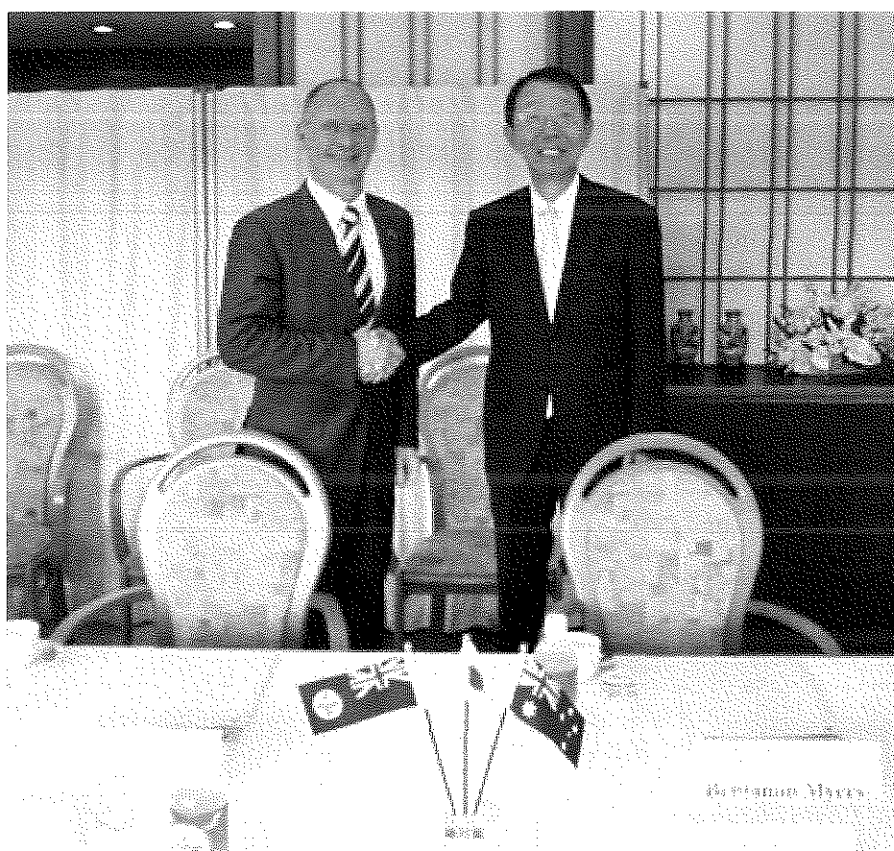
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In Japan as a guest of the Japanese government, Hon. Campbell Newman, Premier of Queensland, visited our (JFE Steel Corporation's) East Japan Works (Keihin District). The visit came about as a result of the Premier indicating a desire to visit in recognition of the deep relationship between Queensland and JFE Steel.

Mr Eiji Hayashida, President/CEO, Mr Koji Kakiki, Executive Vice President, Mr Yoichi Tanmura, Senior Managing Executive Officer (Chief of the East Japan Works), Mr Shinichi Deshimaru, Managing Executive Officer (Head of Keihin East Japan Works), and Mr Akira Suzuki, Managing Executive Officer

welcomed the Premier and his party and guided them as they toured the operations.

We currently import large quantities of coking coal from Queensland and also hold interests in the Byerwen Project and other coal mines. Queensland is the most important region for our company's long term and stable supply of highly quality coking coal.

30 September 2013

Japanese

Source: Various Tokyo based print media publications

Premier of Queensland undertakes site visit to JFE Corporation's East Japan Works

豪州クイーンズランド州の首相が視察
2013.9.26 日経産業新聞


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ニューマン首相（左）と林田英治社長（右）が記者会見で話している様子。


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写真＝豪クイーンズランド州・ニューマン首相（左）を出迎えるJFEスチール・林田英治社長（右）

30 September 2013

English

Source: Various Tokyo based print media publications

Premier of Queensland undertakes site visit to JFE Corporation's East Japan Works

The Premier of Queensland, Mr Newman, who is visiting Japan as a Guest of the Japanese Government, undertook a site visit to JFE Corporation's East Japan Works on 26 September. The site visit was at the request of Mr Newman who wanted to visit JFE Steel in acknowledgement of the deep relations that the company shares with Queensland.

2 October 2013

Japanese

Source: Tekkou Shimbun (Steel Newspaper)

JOGMEC forges MOU with the Queensland State Government

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JOGMEC 豪クイーンズランド 州政府とMOU締結

石油天然ガス・金属
鉱物資源機構（JOG
MEC）は先月30日、
豪州・クイーンズラン
ド州のキャンベル・ニ
ューマン首相の来日に
合わせ、エネルギー・
資源全般における両者
の関係強化を目的とし
た「包括的・戦略的パ
ートナリシップに係る
覚書（MOU）」を締
結したと発表した。今
後は同MOUに基づ

き、石炭、石油・天然
ガス及び金属鉱物資源
に係る総合的な探鉱・
開発プロジェクトなど
に関する情報交換や協
議を行なっていく考
え。

クイーンズランド州
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2 October 2013

English

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Premier of Queensland

received 29/10/13 AG.

28 October 2013

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Dear Mr Laurie

Please find attached my Overseas Travel Report regarding my Trade Mission to the United Arab Emirates, Singapore, People's Republic of China and Japan for the period of 15 September to 1 October 2013.

It would be appreciated if you could arrange for this report to be tabled as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

CAMPBELL NEWMAN

*Encl.

