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**Overseas Travel: China and Appointment of an
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TO: THE PREMIER FOR CABINET SUB-COMMITTEE

RE: OVERSEAS TRAVEL: CHINA AND APPOINTMENT OF AN ACTING MINISTER

1. PROPOSAL

- 1.1 To seek Cabinet approval for the Hon Paul Holloway MLC, Minister for Police, Minister for Mineral Resources Development, and Minister for Urban Development and Planning, travel to Shanghai, Jinan, Qingdao and Beijing from Saturday 4 November 2006 to Tuesday 14 November 2006 inclusive.
- 1.2 That the Hon Michael Atkinson MP, Attorney-General, Minister for Justice, and Minister for Multicultural Affairs, be appointed as Acting Minister for Police, Acting Minister for Mineral Resources Development, and Acting Minister for Urban Development and Planning during the period from Saturday 4 November 2006 to Tuesday 14 November 2006 inclusive.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Government has an economic development policy committed to supporting further development of trade and investment opportunities in key international markets.
- 2.2 The proposed visit will support this policy of enhancing economic growth in South Australia through an increased emphasis on trade development and assist to achieve the government's commitment to tripling exports by 2013.
- 2.3 The Premier has approved Minister Holloway's overseas travel (copy attached).

3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1 The principal objectives of the visit are:
 - 3.1.1 To further promote South Australia's presence in the Chinese market.
 - 3.1.2 The Minister will be accompanied by a delegation from the mining and resources, education and vocational training, film, ICT industry, agribusiness, food, wine and services sectors for the purpose of expanding exports into China and to market and promote South Australia at various showcase events.

3.1.3 Strengthen South Australia's position in China, especially with the sister-state province of Shandong where celebratory activities for the 20-year anniversary have been scheduled.

3.1.4 To explore other perspectives on trade and investment opportunities for South Australia.

3.2 Economic, financial and budgetary implications

The visit is expected to bring positive benefits to the South Australian community flowing from increases in trade and investment as well as business and skilled migrants from China.

3.3 Required Resources

Costs associated with this visit will be met from within the existing budget of the Department of Trade and Economic Development, except for the travel and accommodation of the Minister and staff.

3.4 Staffing implications

None. The Minister will be accompanied by his spouse (at own cost) and Ministerial staff.

3.5 Information and Communication Technology Requirements

Nil.

3.6 Impact on the community and the environment

As the trip may result in increased trade opportunities and migration, it may have a positive impact on regional South Australia.

3.7 Consultation

Consultation with the Australian Embassy in China, Austrade, Beijing, Shanghai, SA Government Commercial Representative Office, Shanghai

3.8 Executive Council

The approval of Her Excellency the Governor in Executive Council is required for the appointment of an Acting Minister.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Cabinet:

- 4.1 Endorse the Hon Paul Holloway MLC, Minister for Police, Minister for Mineral Resources Development, and Minister for Urban Development and Planning, to travel to the to Shanghai, Jinan, Qingdao and Beijing from Saturday 4 November 2006 to Tuesday 14 November 2006 inclusive.
- 4.2 Cabinet note that the Minister will be accompanied by his spouse (at own cost) and Ministerial Staff.
- 4.3 Recommend that Her Excellency the Governor in Executive Council approve the appointment of the Hon Michael Atkinson MP, Attorney-General, Minister for Justice, and Minister for Multicultural Affairs, as Acting Minister for Police, Acting Minister for Mineral Resources Development, and Acting Minister for Urban Development and Planning during the period from Saturday 4 November to Tuesday 14 November 2006 inclusive.



Paul Holloway

Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council
 Minister for Police
 Minister for Mineral Resources Development
 Minister for Urban Development and Planning

Date: 26 / 10 / 2006

