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Hon Sarah Connolly MP Chair, Public Accounts and Estimates Committee Parliament of Victoria Parliament House Spring Street EAST MELBOURNE VICTORIA 3002 paec@parliament.vic.gov.au

Dear Ms Connolly MP

REQUEST FOR A FURTHER RESPONSE TO A QUESTION ON NOTICE

Thank you for your letter dated 19 June 2024 requesting further response to a question on notice taken at the 2024-25 Budget Estimates hearing on 16 May 2024, that related to the Tel Aviv Victorian Government Trade and Investment (VGTI) office.

The 2024-25 State Budget provided \$7.3 million over 2 years to maintain trade and investment facilities and services, including the Victorian Government Trade and Investment (VGTI) Network of 23 offices, including one in Israel, which strengthen Victoria's international relationships and help deliver trade facilitation activities (BP3 Pgs. 58, 63).

Yours sincerely

Tim Ada Secretary

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