

Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel
(including expenses of participants and general expenses associated with travel)

Ministry	Trade and Export Development
Title of Travel	Mission to Ottawa
Location	Ottawa, Ontario
Date(s)	February 2-4, 2025
Participants	Honourable Warren Kaeding, Minister of Trade and Export Development Jodi Banks, Deputy Minister of Trade and Export Development Ryan Cossitt, Assistant Deputy Minister, International Engagement, Trade and Export Development Drew Lumbar, Chief of Staff to Minister Kaeding
Purpose of Travel	To meet with Ambassadors, High Commissioners and their teams in Ottawa to discuss areas of shared interest including trade, investment attraction and opportunities for collaboration.
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants	
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees, baggage fees)	\$4,527.68
Ground Travel (including taxis, car rentals, trains and buses)	\$999.12
Accommodation (including room charges and all related taxes and fees)	\$2,225.08
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)	\$556.00
Conference & Registration Fees	\$0.00
Miscellaneous (including incidentals, parking, temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and vaccination fees, and other sundry expenditures)	\$0.00
Subtotal	\$8,307.88
General Travel Expenditures	
Business Hosting Expenses (expenses for luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)	\$528.64
Miscellaneous (Including meeting rooms, translator and interpreter fees, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)	\$0.00
Subtotal	\$528.64
TOTAL	\$8,836.52

Overview of Travel and Objectives

The Government of Saskatchewan is dedicated to building and maintaining strong relationships with international stakeholders, which includes engaging with the foreign diplomatic corps in Ottawa on issues of shared interest to foster economic opportunities and diversification of markets for the province. This mission provided an opportunity to promote Saskatchewan as a world leader in sustainable food, fuel, fertilizer and critical mineral production.

Mission objectives included:

- Showcasing Saskatchewan's innovative strengths in the areas of agricultural production, critical minerals, sustainability and research and development;
- Highlighting the opportunity for Saskatchewan to be a stable, sustainable and trusted partner in energy and food security; and,
- Creating opportunities for increased collaboration with international partners, particularly in jurisdictions where Saskatchewan has a trade and investment office.

Travel Activity

- Minister Kaeding met with diplomatic heads of missions and other representatives including:
 - His Excellency Pham Vinh Quang, Ambassador of Vietnam to Canada;
 - Her Excellency Maria Andrelita S. Austria, Ambassador of the Philippines to Canada;
 - His Excellency Kanji Yamanouchi, Ambassador of Japan to Canada;
 - His Excellency Carlos Alberto Franco Franca, Ambassador of Brazil to Canada;
 - His Excellency Carlos Manuel Joaquin Gonzalez, Ambassador of Mexico to Canada;
 - His Excellency Daniel Tumpal Sumurung Simanjuntak, Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to Canada;
 - David Prodger, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., British High Commission to Canada;
 - Aurélie Bonal, Deputy Head of Mission, Delegation of the European Union to Canada; and,
 - André von Walter, Head of Trade and Economic Section, Delegation of the European Union to Canada.