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**Subject:** Early Dinner Reception in honor of Global Virome Project team visit to Beijing  
**Attachments:** USAID Development Counselor House.ppt

Hi all,

In conjunction with Global Virome Project team visit to Beijing, we would like to host an early dinner reception to update the progress of GVP and CNVP-China National Virome Project. And broadly, we will share insights for cooperation with China in global health security in the developing world.

Time: 16:30-18:00, Tuesday, September 5, 2017

Venue: (b)(6) Residence, (b)(6)



Special Guests:

(b)(6) CAS Key Laboratory of  
*Pathogenic Microbiology and Immunology, Institute of Microbiology*  
(b)(6) Wuhan Institute of Virology, CAS  
(b)(6), Global Health Security and Development, Bureau for Global Health,  
*USAID/Washington*  
*Peter Daszak, President, EcoHealth Alliance*  
(b)(6), EcoHealth Alliance  
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(b)(6), EcoHealth Alliance

For more information about GVP, please look at: <http://www.globalviromeproject.org/about/>.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

(b)(6)

US Embassy Beijing

Tel: (b)(6) Email: (b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Thu, 26 Jan 2017 09:05:20 -0800  
**To:** (b)(6) (RDMA/OPH)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Invitation\_China National Virome Project Initiative Meeting, Feb. 7 2017, Beijing

FYI - the following will join the GVP meeting from the Embassy. If RDMA wants additional attendees that fine with us. See you in a few days

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U.S. Agency for International Development

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** (b)(6)@usaid.gov>  
**Date:** January 26, 2017 at 7:26:41 AM PST  
**To:** (b)(6)@usaid.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Invitation\_China National Virome Project Initiative Meeting, Feb. 7 2017, Beijing

Hi (b)(6),

Just so you're aware, below are the attendees from the Beijing Embassy.

Best,

(b)(6)

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>  
**Date:** January 26, 2017 at 7:22:39 AM PST  
**To:** (b)(6)@usaid.gov>, (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Invitation\_China National Virome Project Initiative Meeting, Feb. 7 2017, Beijing

FIY, some GVP steering meeting attendees from the US Embassy.

(b)(6) USAID: Feb. 6 – morning of Feb.7  
(b)(6) ESTH: morning of Feb.7



(b)(6), PAS: Feb. 6 – morning of Feb.7

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject: RE: Invitation\_China National Virome Project Initiative Meeting, Feb. 7 2017, Beijing**  
**Date:** January 25, 2017 at 10:47:18 PM EST  
**To:** (b)(6)@im.ac.cn>, (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>

(b)(6)

Hi, (b)(6)

Thank you very much for the invitation. We'd like to register following participants from the US Embassy:

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Besides, our colleagues would also like to attend some sessions of the GVP Beijing meeting to be held on Feb.6 and the morning of Feb.7. Hope it's ok:

(b)(6) Feb. 6 – morning of Feb.7  
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Feb. 6 – morning of Feb.7

Wish you a happy New Year and warm regards,

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Tele: (b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 26, 2017 3:13 AM  
**To:** (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Cc:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Invitation\_China National Virome Project Initiative Meeting, Feb. 7 2017, Beijing

*This email is sent on behalf of [b)(6)] of China CDC, Member of Chinese Academy of Sciences.*

Dear Sir/Madam at USAID Beijing Office,

I am pleased to extend an invitation to you to participate the China National Virome Project Initiative Meeting on Feb. 7 at the Chinese Academy of Sciences in Beijing.

This meeting will bring together technical experts, scientists, policy-makers, and leaders from a number of organizations and departments to discuss about the strategies and plans to launch a China National Virome Project (CNVP). The core working group members from the Global Virome Project will attend this meeting to provide technical supports and resources for this initiative in China.

Please find more information about the meeting in the attachments. I look forward to your participation in this meeting. Please email to [b)(6)]@im.ac.cn with your RSVP as soon as possible, and let us know if you have any questions or suggestions.

Sincerely,

[b)(6)]

China CDC  
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*EcoHealth Alliance leads cutting-edge research into the critical connections between human and wildlife health and delicate ecosystems. With this science we develop solutions that promote conservation and prevent pandemics.*

**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Tue, 10 Jan 2017 19:50:02 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)@usaid.gov; (b)(6)@usaid.gov  
**Subject:** Fwd: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

See below. Travel approved

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** (b)(6)@usaid.gov>  
**Date:** January 10, 2017 at 7:58:03 AM EST  
**To:** "(b)(6) (Beijing)" <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Thanks (b)(6). Greatly appreciated

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On Jan 10, 2017, at 1:47 AM, (b)(6) (Beijing) <(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Hi (b)(6),  
(b)(6) is slow in replied. But he asked me to approve the eCCs for USG visitors coming for the meeting. So I think there should be of no problem. I approve GH/(b)(6) eCC already.  
Thanks,

(b)(6) USAID/Beijing  
**From:** (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 06, 2017 11:09 PM

(b)(6)  
(b)(6)

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

(b)(6) thanks. Regarding your points:

Chinese New Years - (b)(6) is navigating the timing to maximize peoples availability so we expect no conflict

Hotels - we are working through UC Davis/EcoHealth who are making all the reservations. no assistance from Embassy is needed

Travel Clearance - all eCC's and other travel requests will be submitted by today

That said, to move forward with airline reservations (which are needed before the issuance of visas for many of our travelers) - can we assume that there will be no objection from the Embassy for this trip?

thanks again.

(b)(6)

On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 8:33 PM, (b)(6) (Beijing)

<(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:

Hi (b)(6)

Thanks for the information. There are some points concerning logistic part of the travel:

Chinese Lunar New Year time

I'd like to inform you about the Chinese holiday arrangements for the lunar year. The Chinese will have days off on Jan. 27-Feb. 2. In order to make a week long holiday, they work on Jan. 22 and Feb. 4. But Embassy Beijing never works on weekends so US Embassy holiday time is from Jan. 27-31. I think most of the colleagues of Embassy Beijing health team (ESTH, HHS, USCDC, NIH, FDA, MED, NSF?, ECON) would have been back to office that time.

eCC

Another issue is about the eCC. According to RSO, visitors (direct hire and contractors) traveling to posts in support of USAID programs must request and obtain country clearance. Pls. select USAID/Beijing for approval. In this case, just a few should submit the eCC to us?

Hotel

Pls. work with China CDC for hotel arrangement since they are hosting the Global Virome Project Working Group meeting to take place February 5-7, 2017. If not, we'd like to offer a hand to work with Embassy VIP unit to book a hotel close to the Embassy compound with corporate rate within per diem.

Thank you very much!

(b)(6)

USAID/Beijing

US Embassy Beijing

Tel: (b)(6) E-mail:

(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov><mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>>

From: (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>]

Sent: Friday, January 06, 2017 3:25 AM

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(b)(6)

Subject: Re: Fw: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

(b)(6), we just heard from (b)(6). Following the closure of the GVP meeting on the morning of the 7th he is now organizing a workshop for the afternoon - inviting China Academy of Science, technical Ministries, the Beijing Genome Institute etc to discuss GVP. There will not be a press conference. He is interested in inviting interested parties from the Embassy. Can you suggest who would be interested/appropriate?

thanks

(b)(6)

On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 11:29 AM, (b)(6)

<(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov><mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>>> wrote:

(b)(6) to offer a further response to your questions:

Timing: the timing for the meeting was set by (b)(6), who with the China CDC is hosting this meeting. He has advised that the timing works well given the holiday season and their will be full Chinese engagement

USAID Project (or not): while USAID is a key player in the Global Virome Project is is NOT an USAID project. GVP evolved out of a "proof of concept" work that USAID has been investing in over the past decade (our Predict Project) which allowed us for the first tiime to begin thinking about identifying and characterizing every future viral threat NOW before it emerges. GVP is the consequence of that thinking. Its an evolving venture that has received a lot of enthusiastic support. USAID at this point is supporting the translation of the "proof of concept" into a larger global venture. In August we were able to hold a meeting of key stakeholders at the Rockefeller retreat in Bellagio, Italy. (b)(6) was one of the participants. He is now one of the key champions for GVP - hence his interest in China hosting the first post-Bellagio meeting of the GVP Steering Committee. He is also keen to see China play a leadership role by example in launching a China Virome Project that will set the stage for a global exercise in country-level virome projects all knitted together against a shared global framework. (b)(5) - Deliberative Process Privilege

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UC Davis is providing the logistics support for the participants - using resourcess we've provided. You will note the participant list is very much a impressive cross-section of global health leaders

I hope this helps

I would be more than interested in briefing the Embassy should you be interested.

(b)(6)

On Wed, Jan 4, 2017 at 9:27 PM, (b)(6)

<(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov><mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>>> wrote:

Good morning (b)(6),

(b)(6) has addressed several of the issues you raise. I would only add that my understanding is that China Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is hosting the meeting, with the support of the GVP secretariat at UC Davis. As referenced below, CDCD (b)(6) and (b)(6) are serving as points of contact.

While the GVP secretariat is USAID funded, it serves in a global coordination role for an envisioned network of decentralized centers that will undertake the surveillance and viral discovery efforts. More on the vision and architecture for GVP is [here](http://www.globalviromeproject.org/about/)<<http://www.globalviromeproject.org/about/>>.

(b)(6) and team are copied here for further details as necessary.

Best,

(b)(6)

On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 9:00 AM, (b)(6)

<(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov><mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>>> wrote:

Happy New Year (b)(6), thanks for flagging this.

Your insights are spot-on, this sort of activity not only typifies the desired type of cooperation but also provides a much better image for the Chinese in taking responsibility to map pathogens that could impact on health security in regional and global terms.

We should defer to you on timing, I'll check with (b)(6) team if they checked whether their Chinese counterparts have agreed to be available to meet that week, which I believe is sandwiched between two major holiday festivals.

I understand that the collaboration is with the China CDC, and their leadership (b)(6) and their relevant institutions as well as the Beijing Genomics Institute have been looking forward to engaging with the Global Virome Project.

(b)(6)

In any case, the implementing partner is UC Davis, which is a leading force on genetic research rather than the usual beltway bandits, and we can assure that USAID is bringing credible expertise to the activity. (b)(6) and (b)(6) would be able to give a more accurate picture (b)(6)

(b)(6)

key concern in this context would be how the press conference would be staged.

I've CCed (b)(6) to confer with (b)(6) and we'll get back to you asap on your concerns.

Warm regards to you all for a happy, healthy and peaceful 2017,

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On Wed, Jan 4, 2017 at 7:42 PM, (b)(6)

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On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 6:41 AM (b)(6) (Beijing)

<(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov><mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>>> wrote:

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From: (b)(6)  
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Sent: Wednesday, January 4, 2017 09:47

(b)(6)

Subject: Fwd: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Good Morning (b)(6) and (b)(6)

In September 2016, (b)(6) met with you to briefly introduce the Global Virome Project. The proposed travel below is regarding the progression of the Global Virome Project. This meeting is USG funded. Our division (Emerging Threats Division) has allocated funds to UC Davis to be the secretariat for GVP.

The following travel approval requests has come in from PREDICT. We appreciate your concurrence and welcome any questions you may have.

1. UC Davis would like to request approval for the individuals listed below to travel from their respective departure locations (listed below) to Beijing, China from February 4-8, 2017 for a Global Virome Project Working Group meeting to take place February 5-7, 2017.

Trip purpose: All travelers are invited participants of the Global Virome Project. The meeting will provide an opportunity for working groups to meet and collaborate on project strategies development. There will also be a press event to announce the China National Virome Project.

Traveler Name

Departure Location

(b)(6)



(b)(6)

Peter Daszak\*  
Newark, New Jersey

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Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

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Traveler Name

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Peter Daszak\*  
Newark, New Jersey

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Date: Wed, Dec 21, 2016 at 1:01 PM

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

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All approved except (b)(6) (who is a USG employee) subject to mission concurrence.

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Emerging Threats Division/Office of Infectious Diseases/Bureau for Global Health  
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On Dec 21, 2016, at 5:56 PM, (b)(6)

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Please find below a group international travel request for your review and approval. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!!

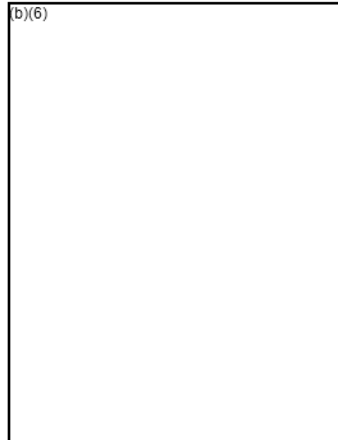
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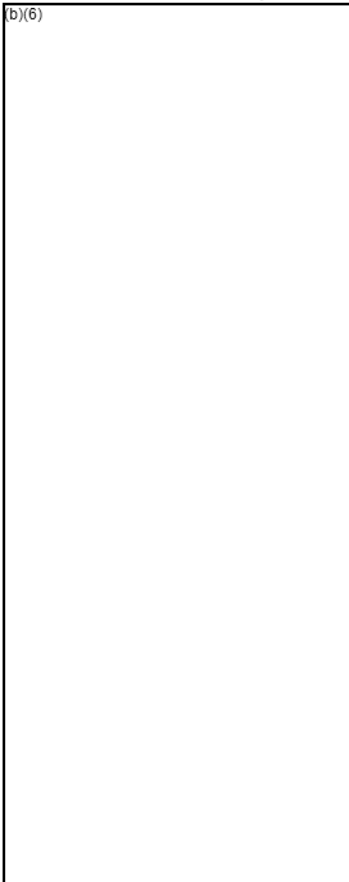
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Peter Daszak\*

Newark, New Jersey

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> Subject: GVP Beijing - April 17th - time for a phone call catch-up?  
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> Hi [b](6) - given that we're looking at potentially a China Virome Project launch of April 17th, could we have a conference call to start thinking about messaging etc.?  
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> Also - [b](6) you said you would reach out to [b](6) to see if he could make this date. Do you want to, or do you want me to, cc'ing you - I'll be emailing him today re. our upcoming Cosmos Club event...  
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> Cheers,  
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> Peter  
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> Peter Daszak  
> President  
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> Sent: Thursday, November 8, 2018 5:28 AM  
> To: Peter Daszak; [b](6) (GH/ID)  
> Cc: [b](6)  
> Subject: Re: Chance for a phone call catch-up?  
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> Great. Looking forward to talking with you tomorrow.  
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> Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.  
> Original Message  
> From: Peter Daszak  
> Sent: Wednesday, November 7, 2018 23:44  
> To: [b](6) (Beijing); [b](6) (GH/ID)  
> Cc: [b](6)  
> Subject: RE: Chance for a phone call catch-up?  
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> 8am would work for me - is that a good time - probably a 30 minute call max.?

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> Cheers,  
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> Peter  
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> -----Original Message-----

> From: [b](6) (Beijing) [mailto:[b](6)@state.gov]  
> Sent: Tuesday, November 6, 2018 10:09 PM  
> To: Peter Daszak; [b](6) (GH/ID)  
> Cc: [b](6)  
> Subject: Re: Chance for a phone call catch-up?

> Sure. Lets plan a call on Friday morning as early as possible. [b](6)

> Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.  
> From: Peter Daszak  
> Sent: Tuesday, November 6, 2018 11:27  
> To: [b](6) (GH/ID); [b](6) (Beijing)  
> Cc: [b](6)  
> Subject: Chance for a phone call catch-up?

> Dear [b](6) and [b](6)

> [b](6) - [b](6) mentioned that you'll be in DC sometime this week. I wondered if we could fit in a brief phone call so I can brief you on the latest from my 4 trips to China in 3 months!

> [b](6) and I are available on and off Wed, Thurs, Fri and look forward to talking if possible...

> Wednesday is busy for me - I'm in Boston visiting the new Infectious disease lab there and talking to [b](6) [b](6) team, but I have time here and there...

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**From:** (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Sent:** Wed 1 Feb 2017 04:04:37 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6)  
(b)(6) (b)(6)  
(b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Subject:** Press/PD for GVP

Hi (b)(6) and (b)(6)

On Sunday, Feb. 5, (b)(6) and (b)(6) will come to your lodging hotel-China National Convention Center Grand Hotel to have lunch with you. Maybe they will arrive at 12:00noon? There is a Chinese restaurant- Ju Xiang Ge 聚香阁 at the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the hotel. Thanks,

(b)(6), USAID/Beijing Tel: (b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 01, 2017 11:44 AM  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Cc:** (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: Press/PD for GVP

Hi (b)(6) – I’d be happy to. Please just let me know when and where. I’ll also follow up later today with possible press options for the meeting.

Thanks  
(b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 01, 2017 11:38 AM  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Cc:** (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6)  
(b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Subject:** RE: Press/PD for GVP

(b)(6) could you join (b)(6) and me for lunch on Sunday?

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**From:** (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov]

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 01, 2017 10:02 AM

**To:** (b)(6)

**Cc:** (b)(6)

(b)(6)

**Subject:** Re: Press/PD for GVP

(b)(6), thanks for the email. I am in Bangkok this week and available to discuss this issue with you in greater detail. I have also tentatively arranged to meet with (b)(6) some time This Sunday after my arrival in Beijing

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(b)(6)

(b)(6), Emerging Threats Program

U.S. Agency for International Development

Office: (b)(6)

Mobile: (b)(6)

On Feb 1, 2017, at 3:15 AM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov> wrote:

Dear (b)(6),

Thank you so much for your interest in the GVP! (b)(6) is currently in Bangkok, so I wanted to respond on his behalf. We had a chance to discuss on our last trip together and there is definitely interest in the types of opportunities that you mentioned.

We had hoped to touch base with you in person upon our arrival in Beijing, if possible the Sunday before the meeting starts (we are also available for meetings on Wednesday before our 6:25pm flights in case that is helpful for scheduling of any media coverage) and use that time to discuss more about the project. I assume, however, that we may need to make decisions about the type of coverage further in advance, though?

For your awareness, we have been public about the GVP (see below) to some extent so far, but have made efforts to avoid the initiative being labeled as a "USG Effort" as it is truly a global effort in which USAID has had a catalytic role (particularly due to our support of the proof of concept, the PREDICT project). Other than that, we defer to you and our LPA colleagues in terms of any another other sensitivities to consider with media outreach.

We are, of course, very interested in finding ways to highlight the international aspects of the effort, especially with our Chinese colleagues ((b)(6) has been highly involved and a champion since the inception) and what you and (b)(6) have proposed sounds very appealing.

In case it is helpful, we have had a few media/public articles which focus on or reference the GVP over the past several months, including these:

1) <http://www.nydailynews.com/opinion/lieberman-karesh-raising-biodefenses-article-1.2744779>

2) [https://www.statnews.com/2016/12/13/world-viruses-global-virome-project/?\\_hsenc=p2ANqtz-PA4z56\\_HqcgiRxo47S7npcTH1IGCK2NTqrC29mCKnOGtFiNWpwJyAeou7W1hLrCTr7XS4AVWVjKYvkDauLhnNKUxwQ&\\_hsmi=39175628](https://www.statnews.com/2016/12/13/world-viruses-global-virome-project/?_hsenc=p2ANqtz-PA4z56_HqcgiRxo47S7npcTH1IGCK2NTqrC29mCKnOGtFiNWpwJyAeou7W1hLrCTr7XS4AVWVjKYvkDauLhnNKUxwQ&_hsmi=39175628)

3) <http://www.worldaffairs.org/blog/765-guest-post-the-global-virome-project-the-beginning-of-the-end-of-the-pandemic-era>

Please let me know what additional information would be helpful to provide!

Best,

(b)(6)

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Emerging Threats Division  
Office of Infectious Disease  
Bureau for Global Health  
U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

Desk: (b)(6)

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E-mail: (b)(6)@usaid.gov

On Tue, Jan 31, 2017 at 7:00 AM (b)(6) (Beijing) (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Dear (b)(6),

Just wanted to follow up with you on potential interest in press/PD opportunities related to the GVP during your upcoming visit to Beijing. We'll be back in the office tomorrow, and I'd like to follow up with (b)(6) and the Chinese side on a possible plan if there is interest. Please just let me know, and I'm happy to answer any questions you might have in the meantime.

Best,

(b)(6)

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Assistant Information Officer  
US Embassy Beijing

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: (b)(6) (Beijing)

Sent: Saturday, January 28, 2017 4:29 PM

To: (b)(6)

Cc:

(b)(6) (Beijing)

Subject: Press/PD for GVP

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Best

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Assistant Information Officer  
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Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>

Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2017 10:56 PM

To: (b)(6) (Beijing)

(b)(6) (b)(6)

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

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(b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Sent:** Sat, 28 Jan 2017 08:29:53 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
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**Subject:** Press/PD for GVP  
**Attachments:** Beijing Agenda.docx

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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Thu, 19 Oct 2017 15:25:54 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Cc:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: [(b)(6)] response required]

Hi (b)(6),

I agree that this is a tricky question. (b)(6), would you be able to craft an artful dodge with (b)(6) response?

Best,  
(b)(6)

**From:** (b)(6) mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 19, 2017 6:25 AM  
**To:** (b)(6)@ucdavis.edu>  
**Cc:** (b)(6)@usaid.gov>; (b)(6)@usaid.gov>; (b)(6)  
(b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>  
**Subject:** Re: [(b)(6)] response required]

(b)(6), this is a tricky one. We dont really have firmed up money to point to. What we can highlight are steps being taken by China where One Belt resources are being used to initiate the CVP; and similar actions by Canada, Costa Rica etc. But these are not examples that we would want to flag in the publication because they are still in their early stages.

(b)(6)

On Wed, Oct 18, 2017 at 4:42 PM, (b)(6)@ucdavis.edu> wrote:  
Hi (b)(6)

We are almost ready to resubmit the manuscript for the WHO Bulletin. How would you like us to address the following question? (The deadline is in two days).

>Comment 3. Please clarify the amounts and sources of guaranteed funding.

(b)(6), would you be able to pass this message along, or connect me to somebody who can (b)(6) (?), as this is time sensitive?

Many thanks,  
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**From:** (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Sent:** Tue, 21 May 2019 02:52:17 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6) (GH/ID)  
**Subject:** Re: Draft document outlining opportunity for China-US partnership on GVP

Ok. We hope that you can participate. I will be departing Post on 9 July and in DC 10-12 to outbrief so I am forwarding the new launch date to our Embassy Health Working Group and hope to see you in DC if possible on my way toward retirement by the end of September.

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S8, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

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United States Agency for International Development  
U.S. Embassy Beijing

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**From:** (b)(6)@usaid.gov>  
**Date:** 5/20/19 08:11 (GMT-10:00)  
**To:** "(b)(6) (Beijing)" <(b)(6)@state.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Draft document outlining opportunity for China-US partnership on GVP

Thanks (b)(6) Excellent suggested edits; will incorporate. We will then send off to (b)(6) for (b)(6) input. FYI, the launch of CVP is now scheduled for July 27-28 in Harbin. I will forward the tentative agenda in a separate email. I am doing my best to lobby for OE to ensure my participation.

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(b)(6), Emerging Threats Program  
Bureau for Global Health  
U.S. Agency for International Development  
Office: (b)(6)  
Mobile: (b)(6)

On Mon, May 20, 2019 at 3:00 AM (b)(6) (Beijing) <(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:  
(b)(6), attached are some edits/comments intended for a Chinese audience. For a US audience, I believe your draft is fine.

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U.S. Embassy Beijing

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**From:** (b)(6)@state.gov>

Date: 5/19/19 17:50 (GMT-10:00)

To: (b)(6)@state.gov>

Cc: (b)(6)@state.gov>

Subject: RE: Draft document outlining opportunity for China-US partnership on GVP

Hi, (b)(6)

I've made some modification and comments, mainly for the purpose of convincing Chinese side. They may not be needed if the concept is to present to the US side.

For your consideration.

Best,

(b)(6)

Official

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From: (b)(6) (Beijing) <(b)(6)@state.gov>

Sent: Saturday, May 18, 2019 12:26 PM

To: (b)(6) (Beijing) <(b)(6)@state.gov>

Subject: Fwd: Draft document outlining opportunity for China-US partnership on GVP

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From: (b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>>

Date: 5/15/19 04:24 (GMT-10:00)

To: "(b)(6) (Beijing)" <(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>>, Peter Daszak <daszak@ecohealthalliance.org<mailto:(b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>>, (b)(6)

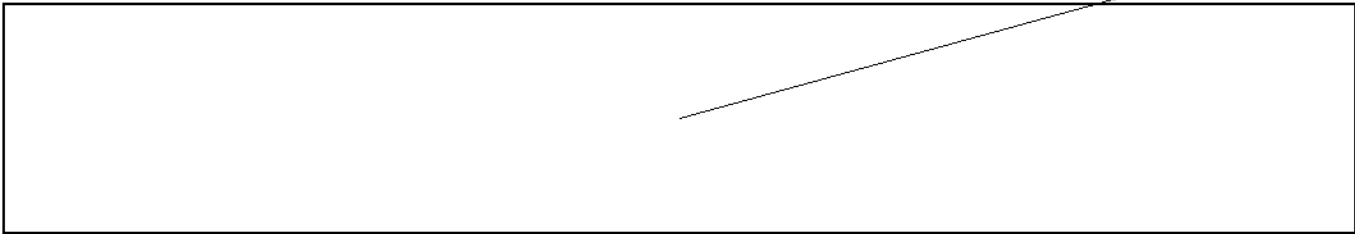
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Hope the trip to Zimbabwe and SA was a good one

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Bureau for Global Health  
U.S. Agency for International Development

Office: (b)(6)  
Mobile: (b)(6)

**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Wed, 27 Mar 2019 17:33:28 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Cc:** (b)(6) (Beijing); Peter Daszak; (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Re: GVP Beijing - April 17th - time for a phone call catch-up?

Perfect. Thanks

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Global Health  
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>> Cc: [b](6)@ecohealthalliance.org, [b](6)@ecohealthalliance.org,

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>> Sent: Wednesday, November 7, 2018 23:44

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I'll be on and look forward to the call!

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US: + (b)(3):6 U.S.C. § 133  
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I will follow up with a calendar invite now.

Thank you,

(b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Fri, 6 Jan 2017 15:09:21 +0000

(b)(6)

**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

(b)(6) thanks. Regarding your points:

Chinese New Years - (b)(6) is navigating the timing to maximize peoples availability so we expect no conflict

Hotels - we are working through UC Davis/EcoHealth who are making all the reservations. no assistance from Embassy is needed

Travel Clearance - all eCC's and other travel requests will be submitted by today

That said, to move forward with airline reservations (which are needed before the issuance of visas for many of our travelers) - can we assume that there will be no objection from the Embassy for this trip?

thanks again.

(b)(6)

On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 8:33 PM, (b)(6) (Beijing) <(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:  
Hi (b)(6)

Thanks for the information. There are some points concerning logistic part of the travel:

Chinese Lunar New Year time

I'd like to inform you about the Chinese holiday arrangements for the lunar year. The Chinese will have days off on Jan. 27-Feb. 2. In order to make a week long holiday, they work on Jan. 22 and Feb. 4. But Embassy Beijing never works on weekends so US Embassy holiday time is from Jan. 27-31. I think most of the colleagues of Embassy Beijing health team (ESTH, HHS, USCDC, NIH, FDA, MED, NSF?, ECON) would have been back to office that time.

eCC

Another issue is about the eCC. According to RSO, visitors (direct hire and contractors) traveling to posts in support of USAID programs must request and obtain country clearance. Pls. select USAID/Beijing for approval. In this case, just a few should submit the eCC to us?

Hotel

Pls. work with China CDC for hotel arrangement since they are hosting the Global Virome Project Working Group meeting to take place February 5-7, 2017. If not, we'd like to offer a

hand to work with Embassy VIP unit to book a hotel close to the Embassy compound with corporate rate within per diem.

Thank you very much!

[b)(6)]

Admin. Assistant

USAID/Beijing

US Embassy Beijing

Tel: [b)(6)] E-mail: [b)(6)]@state.gov<mailto:[b)(6)]@state.gov>

From: [b)(6)] [mailto:[b)(6)]@usaid.gov]

Sent: Friday, January 06, 2017 3:25 AM

[b)(6)]

Subject: Re: Fw: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

[b)(6)], we just heard from [b)(6)]. Following the closure of the GVP meeting on the morning of the 7th he is now organizing a workshop for the afternoon - inviting China Academy of Science, technical Ministries, the Beijing Genome Institute etc to discuss GVP. There will not be a press conference. He is interested in inviting interested parties from the Embassy. Can you suggest who would be interested/appropriate?

thanks

[b)(6)]

On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 11:29 AM, [b)(6)]

<[b)(6)]@usaid.gov<mailto:[b)(6)]@usaid.gov>> wrote:

[b)(6)] to offer a further response to your questions:

Timing: the timing for the meeting was set by [b)(6)], who with the China CDC is hosting this meeting. He has advised that the timing works well given the holiday season and their will be full Chinese engagement

USAID Project (or not): while USAID is a key player in the Global Virome Project is is NOT an USAID project. GVP evolved out of a "proof of concept" work that USAID has been investing in over the past decade (our Predict Project) which allowed us for the first time to begin thinking about identifying and characterizing every future viral threat NOW before it emerges. GVP is the consequence of that thinking. Its an evolving venture that has received a lot of enthusiastic support. USAID at this point is supporting the translation of the "proof of concept" into a larger global venture. In August we were able to hold a meeting of key stakeholders at the Rockefeller



retreat in Bellagio, Italy. (b)(6) was one of the participants. He is now one of the key champions for GVP - hence his interest in China hosting the first post-Bellagio meeting of the GVP Steering Committee. He is also keen to see China play a leadership role by example in launching a China Virome Project that will set the stage for a global exercise in country-level virome projects all knitted together against a shared global framework. (b)(6)

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UC Davis is providing the logistics support for the participants - using resources we've provided. You will note the participant list is very much a impressive cross-section of global health leaders

I hope this helps

I would be more than interested in briefing the Embassy should you be interested.

(b)(6)

On Wed, Jan 4, 2017 at 9:27 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>> wrote:

Good morning (b)(6),

(b)(6) has addressed several of the issues you raise. I would only add that my understanding is that China Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is hosting the meeting, with the support of the GVP secretariat at UC Davis. As referenced below, CDCD (b)(6) and (b)(6) are serving as points of contact.

While the GVP secretariat is USAID funded, it serves in a global coordination role for an envisioned network of decentralized centers that will undertake the surveillance and viral discovery efforts. More on the vision and architecture for GVP is here<<http://www.globalviromeproject.org/about/>>.

(b)(6) and team are copied here for further details as necessary.

Best,

(b)(6)

On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 9:00 AM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>> wrote:

Happy New Year (b)(6) thanks for flagging this.

Your insights are spot-on, this sort of activity not only typifies the desired type of cooperation but also provides a much better image for the Chinese in taking responsibility to map pathogens that could impact on health security in regional and global terms.

We should defer to you on timing, I'll check with (b)(6) team if they checked whether their Chinese counterparts have agreed to be available to meet that week, which I believe is

sandwiched between two major holiday festivals.

I understand that the collaboration is with the China CDC, and their leadership (b)(6) and their relevant institutions as well as the Beijing Genomics Institute have been looking forward to engaging with the Global Virome Project. [redacted]

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In any case, the implementing partner is UC Davis, which is a leading force on genetic research rather than the usual beltway bandits, and we can assure that USAID is bringing credible expertise to the activity. (b)(6) and (b)(6) would be able to give a more accurate picture but [redacted]

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I've CCed [redacted] to confer with (b)(6) and we'll get back to you asap on your concerns.

Warm regards to you all for a happy, healthy and peaceful 2017,

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(b)(6), Office of the Assistant Administrator  
Bureau for Global Health  
US Agency for International Development

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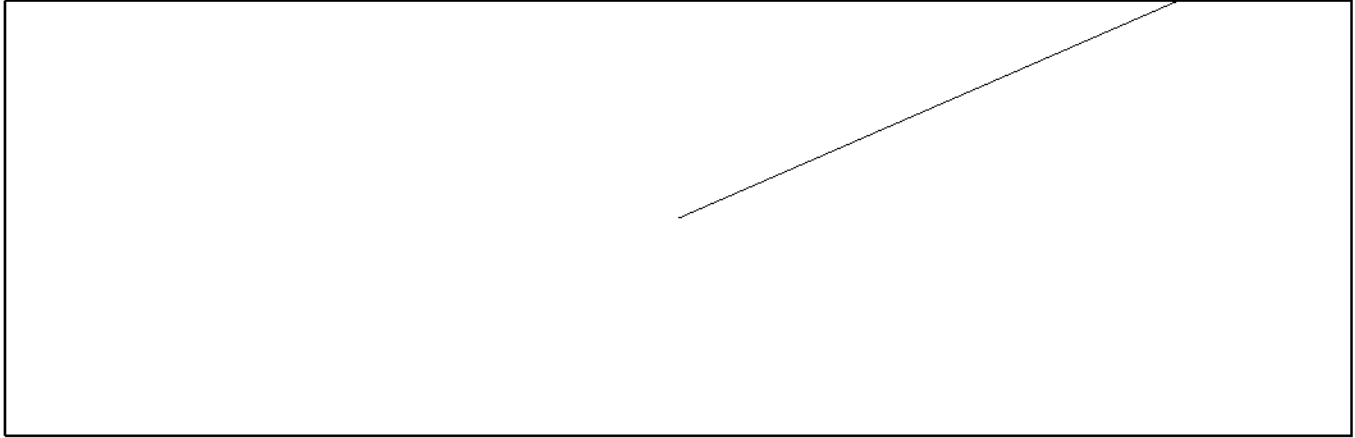
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On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 6:41 AM (b)(6) (Beijing)

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Sent: Wednesday, January 4, 2017 09:47

To: (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6) (Beijing)

(b)(6)

Subject: Fwd: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Good Morning (b)(6) and (b)(6),

In September 2016, (b)(6) met with you to briefly introduce the Global Virome Project. The proposed travel below is regarding the progression of the Global Virome Project. This meeting is USG funded. Our division (Emerging Threats Division) has allocated funds to UC Davis to be the secretariat for GVP.

The following travel approval requests has come in from PREDICT. We appreciate your

concurrence and welcome any questions you may have.

1. UC Davis would like to request approval for the individuals listed below to travel from their respective departure locations (listed below) to Beijing, China from February 4-8, 2017 for a Global Virome Project Working Group meeting to take place February 5-7, 2017.

Trip purpose: All travelers are invited participants of the Global Virome Project. The meeting will provide an opportunity for working groups to meet and collaborate on project strategies development. There will also be a press event to announce the China National Virome Project.

Traveler Name

Departure Location

(b)(6)

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Withheld pursuant to exemption

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of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Peter Daszak\*

Newark, New Jersey

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Hi All,

This is USAID funded? If so, you'll have to reach out to the USAID rep in country, (b)(6) (<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>>

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Don't hesitate to let us know how we can be of assistance.

Best,

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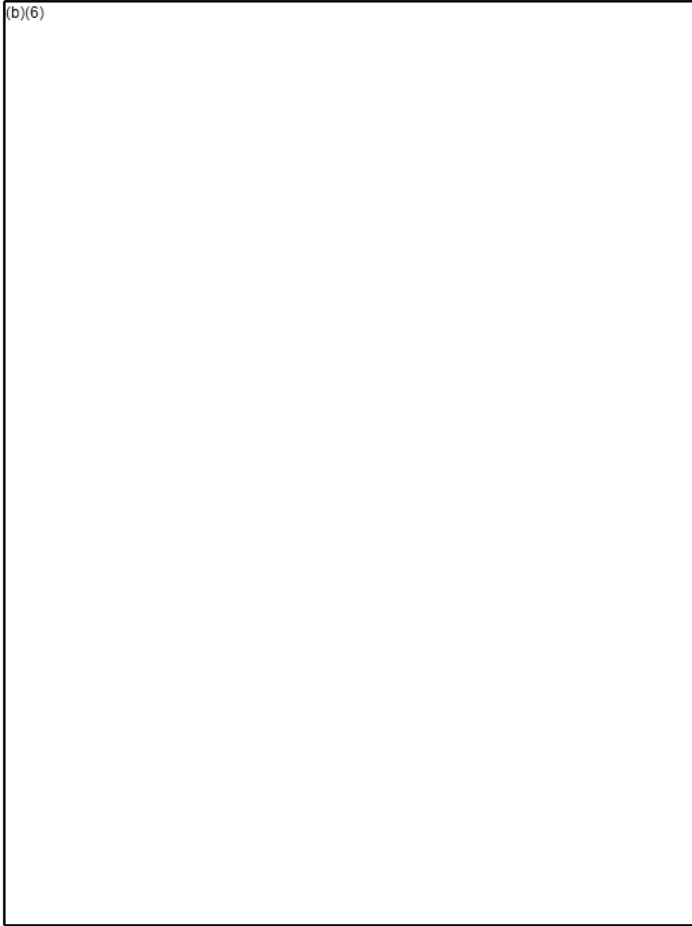
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**From:** [b)(6)]  
**Sent:** Tue, 10 Jan 2017 12:58:03 +0000  
**To:** [b)(6)] (Beijing)  
**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Thanks [b)(6)]. Greatly appreciated

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Office: [b)(6)]  
Mobile: [b)(6)]

> On Jan 10, 2017, at 1:47 AM, [b)(6)] (Beijing) <[b)(6)]@state.gov> wrote:

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> Hi [b)(6)],

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> [b)(6)] is slow in replied. But he asked me to approve the eCCs for USG visitors coming for the meeting. So I think there should be of no problem. I approve GH/[b)(6)] eCC already. Thanks,

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> [b)(6)], USAID/Beijing

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> From: [b)(6)] [mailto:[b)(6)]@usaid.gov]

> Sent: Friday, January 06, 2017 11:09 PM

[b)(6)]

> Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

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> [b)(6)]. Regarding your points:

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> Chinese New Years - [b)(6)] is navigating the timing to maximize peoples availability so we expect no conflict

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> Hotels - we are working through UC Davis/EcoHealth who are making all the reservations. no assistance from Embassy is needed

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> Travel Clearance - all eCC's and other travel requests will be submitted by today

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> That said, to move forward with airline reservations (which are needed before the issuance of visas for many of our travelers) - can we assume that there will be no objection from the Embassy for this trip?

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> thanks again.

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> On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 8:33 PM, [b)(6)] (Beijing) <[b)(6)]@state.gov<mailto:[b)(6)]@state.gov>> wrote:

> Hi (b)(6),  
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> Thanks for the information. There are some points concerning logistic part of the travel:  
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> Chinese Lunar New Year time  
> I'd like to inform you about the Chinese holiday arrangements for the lunar year. The Chinese will have days off on Jan. 27-Feb. 2. In order to make a week long holiday, they work on Jan. 22 and Feb. 4. But Embassy Beijing never works on weekends so US Embassy holiday time is from Jan. 27-31. I think most of the colleagues of Embassy Beijing health team (ESTH, HHS, USCDC, NIH, FDA, MED, NSF?, ECON) would have been back to office that time.  
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> eCC  
> Another issue is about the eCC. According to RSO, visitors (direct hire and contractors) traveling to posts in support of USAID programs must request and obtain country clearance. Pls. select USAID/Beijing for approval. In this case, just a few should submit the eCC to us?  
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> Hotel  
> Pls. work with China CDC for hotel arrangement since they are hosting the Global Virome Project Working Group meeting to take place February 5-7, 2017. If not, we'd like to offer a hand to work with Embassy VIP unit to book a hotel close to the Embassy compound with corporate rate within per diem.  
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> Thank you very much!  
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> USAID/Beijing  
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> From: (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>]  
> Sent: Friday, January 06, 2017 3:25 AM  
> (b)(6)  
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> Subject: Re: Fw: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)  
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> (b)(6), we just heard from (b)(6). Following the closure of the GVP meeting on the morning of the 7th he is now organizing a workshop for the afternoon - inviting China Academy of Science, technical Ministries, the Beijing Genome Institute etc to discuss GVP. There will not be a press conference. He is interested in inviting interested parties from the Embassy. Can you suggest who would be interested/appropriate?  
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> thanks  
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> (b)(6)  
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> On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 11:29 AM, (b)(6)  
> <(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov><mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>>>  
> wrote:  
> > (b)(6) to offer a further response to your questions:  
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> > Timing: the timing for the meeting was set by (b)(6), who with the China CDC is hosting this meeting. He has advised that the timing works well given the holiday season and their will be full Chinese engagement  
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> > USAID Project (or not): while USAID is a key player in the Global Virome Project is NOT an USAID

project. GVP evolved out of a "proof of concept" work that USAID has been investing in over the past decade (our Predict Project) which allowed us for the first time to begin thinking about identifying and characterizing every future viral threat NOW before it emerges. GVP is the consequence of that thinking. Its an evolving venture that has received a lot of enthusiastic support. USAID at this point is supporting the translation of the "proof of concept" into a larger global venture. In August we were able to hold a meeting of key stakeholders at the Rockefeller retreat in Bellagio, Italy. (b)(6) was one of the participants. He is now one of the key champions for GVP - hence his interest in China hosting the first post-Bellagio meeting of the GVP Steering Committee. He is also keen to see China play a leadership role by example in launching a China Virome Project that will set the stage for a global exercise in country-level virome projects all knitted together against a shared global framework.

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> UC Davis is providing the logistics support for the participants - using resources we've provided. You will note the participant list is very much a impressive cross-section of global health leaders

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> I hope this helps

> I would be more than interested in briefing the Embassy should you be interested.

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> On Wed, Jan 4, 2017 at 9:27 PM, (b)(6)

<(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov><mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>>>> wrote:

> Good morning (b)(6),

> (b)(6) has addressed several of the issues you raise. I would only add that my understanding is that China Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is hosting the meeting, with the support of the GVP secretariat at UC Davis. As referenced below, CDC (b)(6) are serving as points of contact.

> While the GVP secretariat is USAID funded, it serves in a global coordination role for an envisioned network of decentralized centers that will undertake the surveillance and viral discovery efforts. More on the vision and architecture for GVP is here<<http://www.globalvirome.org/about/>>.

> (b)(6) and team are copied here for further details as necessary.

> Best,

> (b)(6)

> On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 9:00 AM, (b)(6)

<(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov><mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>>>> wrote:

> Happy New Year (b)(6), thanks for flagging this.

> Your insights are spot-on, this sort of activity not only typifies the desired type of cooperation but also provides a much better image for the Chinese in taking responsibility to map pathogens that could impact on health security in regional and global terms.

> We should defer to you on timing, I'll check with (b)(6) team if they checked whether their Chinese counterparts have agreed to be available to meet that week, which I believe is sandwiched between two major holiday festivals.

> I understand that the collaboration is with the China CDC, and their leadership (b)(6) and their relevant institutions as well as the Beijing Genomics Institute have been looking forward to engaging with the Global Virome Project.

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> In any case, the implementing partner is UC Davis, which is a leading force on genetic research rather than the usual beltway bandits, and we can assure that USAID is bringing credible expertise to the activity. (b)(6) would be able to give a more accurate picture but (b)(6)

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> I've CCed (b)(6) to confer with (b)(6) and we'll get back to you asap on your concerns.

> Warm regards to you all for a happy, healthy and peaceful 2017,

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> On Wed, Jan 4, 2017 at 7:42 PM, (b)(6)

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> Subject: Fwd: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

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> Good Morning [Redacted]

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> In September 2016, [Redacted] met with you to briefly introduce the Global Virome Project. The proposed travel below is regarding the progression of the Global Virome Project. This meeting is USG funded. Our division (Emerging Threats Division) has allocated funds to UC Davis to be the secretariat for GVP.

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Potential roundtable participants (6-8)

Chinese

China Business News  
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Southern Metropolis  
The Paper

Western

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Subject: Press/PD for GVP

Dear (b)(6),

Greetings from the Beijing embassy's press office. We're looking forward to your upcoming visit to Beijing and potentially promoting the GVP through social media and/or engagement with the local Chinese and Western press. We think this is a fascinating project and a good story of US-China cooperation on a very important issue.

I'm forwarding below a recent exchange I had with (b)(6) from Eco Healthcare about arranging press on the sidelines of the Feb 6-7 meeting -- to highlight GVP and areas where our countries are cooperating on this initiative. Is this something you would be interested in doing? Perhaps a joint interview or small press roundtable with (b)(6) during a convenient break at the meeting?

We're in the middle of China's largest holiday at the moment, but when everyone returns to work mid-next week, I'd like to discuss this further and identify the best press option/folks to work with on this, but we first wanted to make sure this is something you're interested in. The Chinese side initially did not plan to have press around the meeting given that funding is still being discussed, etc., but seem up for discussing this project with the press in general terms. I welcome your thoughts on this opportunity, what messages you would like to highlight, and we'll work to make this happen.

Beyond press engagement, I think this would also be a great initiative to promote on social media, again if there is interest. We could work with you and your team to prepare a social media posting with a great graphic or link to further info to help promote awareness among our Chinese

audience of the great work you're doing, and what this might mean for them.

Our press office here at the embassy also has a somewhat nascent though popular video series called "What X Means to Me," in which we film short videos of visiting experts talking about subjects they're passionate about. We think you and the GVP would be a great fit for this program. We can shoot the video in about 15 minutes here at the embassy, or elsewhere if need be, we're very mobile. Here's a write-up on the program, and I've included links below to some popular, recent videos:

Each 90-second episode in this series features an individual sharing their personal perspective on a particular topic – the "X" to which the title refers. These topics are related to the individual, their area of expertise, and U.S. Mission to China priorities. For example, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito shared his personal insights on "Rule of Law," while NASA Administrator (and astronaut) Charlie Bolden talked about what "Space" means to him. This footage is combined with editorial photography and/or background video to create a short piece (approximately 90 seconds in length) which is captioned in the language in which the interview was conducted. Chinese subtitles are also added as needed. These videos are posted and promoted on the U.S. Embassy's Chinese social media platforms which have over 1 million Chinese followers. Filming takes approximately 15 minutes.

Here is the link to the our video with NASA Administrator Bolden on "space":[http://v.youku.com/v\\_show/id\\_XMTc2NDg0MDMxMg==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2](http://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMTc2NDg0MDMxMg==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2)

Here is an episode with NIH's Dr. Ted Trimble on "cancer":[http://v.youku.com/v\\_show/id\\_XMTY3MTA3MzYwOA==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2](http://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMTY3MTA3MzYwOA==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2).

We look forward to working with you and your team on this visit. Please just let me know if you have any questions (a note that I'll be checking this account sporadically through the holiday, and returning full time when the embassy reopens on Wed, Feb 1),

Best,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

Assistant Information Officer

US Embassy, Beijing

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>

Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2017 10:56 PM

To: (b)(6) (Beijing)

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

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Please feel free to contact me anytime if anything I can help. I will arrive in Beijing on Feb. 3, and look forward to meeting and working with you!

Happy Chinese New Year!!

(b)(6)

On Jan 26, 2017, at 2:02 AM, (b)(6) (Beijing)  
(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:

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Best,

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From: (b)(6)  
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2017 9:54 AM  
To: (b)(6); (b)(6) Beijing  
Cc: (b)(6)  
Subject: FW: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

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Hi, (b)(6)

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**From:** [b](6)  
**Sent:** Wed, 1 Feb 2017 17:30:03 +0000  
**To:** [b](6)  
**Cc:** [b](6)  
**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)  
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Also, attached is the updated meeting agenda so you have it.

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:25 PM, [b](6)@usaid.gov> wrote:

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:20 PM, [b](6)@usaid.gov> wrote:  
That's good to hear (well the "not a no" part, maybe not the clearances...).

So far, the only money we've put into the GVP has been directly into the PREDICT-2 project, so into UC Davis. It has all been for activities to ensure that the GVP moves forward, at a global level. So, coordination, etc and not into any specific country and definitely not into China (although, while I assume this doesn't matter, travel support to China has been provided to a select number of participants).

Hope that helps!

(b)(6)

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:12 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 9:12 AM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:  
Thank you for following up!

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 9:04 AM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:  
Hi (b)(6) & (b)(6)

Just keeping you in the loop with what our Beijing Embassy colleagues have proposed in terms of media for the GVP event. It sounds find on my end, but please let me know if either of you have any thoughts.

Best,  
(b)(6)

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Date: Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 3:50 AM  
Subject: RE: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)  
To: (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org  
Cc: (b)(6)@state.gov, (b)(6)

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(Beijing)"(b)(6)@state.gov>, (b)(6)  
(b)(6)@usaid.gov>

Dear (b)(6)

Happy Chinese New Year! To follow up, I had a chance to discuss potential press for the GVP meeting further with our team today, and I've floated the below idea with (b)(6) and his team. If both sides are amenable to this plan, we would like to suggest holding a limited joint press roundtable with 6-8 reps from the local Chinese and Western press on the sidelines of next week's meeting, preferably at a convenient time on Tuesday which would give us additional time to flag this for folks who are just returning and getting back to work after the holiday.

Our thinking is that (b)(6) could lead the interaction with journalists from the outlets I've listed below, which could last around 45 minutes, if schedules permit. Please let us know if you would be interested in pursuing this option, and if you have any concerns or questions beyond what has been flagged separately. Again, we don't want to get ahead of anything here, but do think there is a good story to share -- about the global nature of the initiative and, within that, roles the United States and China are playing to make this a reality.

Having reviewed the latest agenda for the meeting, I'm not inclined to suggest opening the meeting or any particular session to press coverage, but if you feel there is something here that the press might particularly benefit from sitting in on and which would not otherwise be impacted by their presence please just let us know. Otherwise, we would suggest keeping press involvement limited to the roundtable, or some version thereof, if both sides agree.

As you know, the proximity of the meeting to the Chinese holiday could impact the turnout, but we'll do our best to make this work if there is interest and agreement on the general message from both sides. One more question -- ideally, we could conduct the roundtable in English, inviting English-speaking journalists. Does this sound doable, or would you suggest having an interpreter on hand?

If this is a go, is there a suitable, private space at the CNCC that would accommodate around 10 people at a table for this purpose?

Here are potential roundtable participants we're considering inviting (for a total of 6-8 journalists):

Chinese

China Business News  
Guokr  
People's Daily  
Health Daily  
Southern Metropolis

The Paper

Western

AP  
Bloomberg  
Wall Street Journal  
Science Magazine

I look forward to hearing from you when possible. However, if there is interest, I think we should try to begin reaching out to journalists by Friday Beijing time at the very latest. Please just let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best,

(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org]  
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2017 10:54 PM  
To: (b)(6) (Beijing)  
Cc: Han, Zheng (Beijing); (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6)  
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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Tue, 31 Jan 2017 22:52:20 +0000  
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(b)(6)  
**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)  
**Attachments:** Beijing GVP Mtg Agenda - Final.docx

Hi (b)(6) & Colleagues,

Thank you again for your interest in the Global Virome Project (GVP) meeting next week. Please find attached the final agenda for the Steering Committee meeting (Monday & Tuesday morning), as well as the China National Virome Project (CNVP) Initiative Meeting on Tuesday afternoon.

Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can provide any additional information.

Best,

(b)(6)

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Office of Infectious Disease  
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On Sun, Jan 22, 2017 at 8:24 PM, (b)(6) (Beijing) <(b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:  
Hi, (b)(6)

Thank you very much. Please keep Beijing Embassy colleagues on this list in the loop and add (b)(6)@nsf.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@nsf.gov>).

Look forward to the agenda.

Best,

(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2017 12:43 AM

(b)(6)

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Hi (b)(6),

Embassy colleagues are more than welcome to attend the rest of the meeting, thank you for clarifying.

If you have a sense in advance of who will attend, let us know and we can include any others on communications going forward, including with the updated agenda. If not, we will plan to keep you looped in with updates.

Best,

(b)(6)

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 20, 2017, at 9:16 AM, (b)(6)

(b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org<mailto:(b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>> wrote:

Dear (b)(6),

Thanks for your message, (b)(6) is in charge of the agenda of the GVP global Working Group Meeting, and I believe she can answer your question.

But there won't be any problems regarding the logistics.

Best Regards,

(b)(6)

On Jan 19, 2017, at 8:23 PM, (b)(6) (Beijing)

<(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:

Dear (b)(6)

Thank you very much. Can I ask if it's ok for Embassy colleagues to attend some of the sessions on the 6th or the morning of 7th besides the workshop on the afternoon of the 7th?

Best,

(b)(6)

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From: [b)(6)]@ecohealthalliance.org]

Sent: Friday, January 20, 2017 1:35 AM

[b)(6)]

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Thanks, [b)(6)]

Dear [b)(6)],

The GVP Working Group Meeting will take place at the China National Convention Center Grand Hotel (国家会议中心大酒店：北京朝阳区北辰西路8号院1号楼).

And the meeting on Feb. 7 in the afternoon will be held at the Institute of Microbiology, Chinese Academy Science (中国科学院微生物所：北京朝阳区北辰西路1号院3号E301会议室),

[b)(6)] is hosting the meeting on behalf of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and China CDC, he will definitely extend an invitation to you all soon to provide more information.

[b)(6)] assistant and I are still working on the agenda and will share it to all participants when it's available.

Hope this helps, let me know if any further information I can provide.

Best Regards,

[b)(6)]

On Jan 19, 2017, at 8:39 AM, [b)(6)]

<[b)(6)]@usaid.govmailto:[b)(6)]@usaid.gov>> wrote:

Hi [b)(6)]

To follow up on the additional questions regarding contact and location, [b)(6)] (cc'ed from EcoHealth Alliance) should be able to help answer some of those questions as she has been directly liaising with our Chinese colleagues to plan the event.

[b)(6)] - Some of our colleagues from the Embassy in Beijing may attend the meeting and/or the event, could you provide them with the information requested below?

Best,

[b)(6)]

[b)(6)]

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On Thu, Jan 19, 2017 at 8:34 AM, (b)(6)  
<(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>> wrote:

Hello All,

Attached is the current version of the Agenda, however we have quite a number of edits and changes to make, including to the portion with the Chinese CDC, etc. Over the next several days, we will be working to add in times and other updated details. Then, we will be meeting on the 26th to finalize with the core group in person. After that, we will have a final (or close to it) version for distribution to attendees.

(b)(6)

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On Wed, Jan 18, 2017 at 9:14 PM, (b)(6) (Beijing)  
<(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:

Hi, (b)(6),

If the agenda is not available yet, do you have information of meeting venue? Or could you let us know the contacts of China CDC (working level people lower than (b)(6)) so that we can reach out to them for detailed information?

Many thanks,

(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>]  
Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 5:15 AM

(b)(6)

Subject: Re: Fw: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Hello [b)(6)] or [b)(6)],

Can you please circulate the agenda for the GVP Beijing meeting. Please see request below.

Best,

[b)(6)]

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**From:** (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Sent:** Wed, 1 Feb 2017 03:37:47 +0000

(b)(6)

**Subject:** PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

**Attachments:** Beijing GVP Mtg Agenda - Final.docx

Looping in more Embassy folks who will join the meetings.

USAID/Beijing will be arranging Embassy MPool to the meeting venues on Feb. 6&7. Will let you know details when MPool is dispatched.

**From:** (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 01, 2017 6:52 AM

(b)(6)

**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Hi (b)(6) & Colleagues,

Thank you again for your interest in the Global Virome Project (GVP) meeting next week. Please find attached the final agenda for the Steering Committee meeting (Monday & Tuesday morning), as well as the China National Virome Project (CNVP) Initiative Meeting on Tuesday afternoon.

Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can provide any additional information.

Best,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

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On Sun, Jan 22, 2017 at 8:24 PM, (b)(6)@state.gov wrote:

Hi, (b)(6)

Thank you very much. Please keep Beijing Embassy colleagues on this list in the loop and add (b)(6)@nsf.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@nsf.gov>).

Look forward to the agenda.

Best,

(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 22, 2017 12:43 AM

(b)(6)

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Hi (b)(6)

Embassy colleagues are more than welcome to attend the rest of the meeting, thank you for clarifying.

If you have a sense in advance of who will attend, let us know and we can include any others on communications going forward, including with the updated agenda. If not, we will plan to keep you looped in with updates.

Best,

(b)(6)

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 20, 2017, at 9:16 AM, (b)(6)

(b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org<mailto:(b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>> wrote:

Dear (b)(6),

Thanks for your message, (b)(6) is in charge of the agenda of the GVP global Working Group Meeting, and I believe she can answer your question.

But there won't be any problems regarding the logistics.

Best Regards,

(b)(6)

On Jan 19, 2017, at 8:23 PM, (b)(6) (Beijing)  
<(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:

Dear (b)(6),

Thank you very much. Can I ask if it's ok for Embassy colleagues to attend some of the sessions on the 6th or the morning of 7th besides the workshop on the afternoon of the 7th?

Best,

(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org]  
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2017 1:35 AM

(b)(6)

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Thanks, (b)(6)!

Dear (b)(6),

The GVP Working Group Meeting will take place at the China National Convention Center Grand Hotel (国家会议中心大酒店: 北京朝阳区北辰西路8号院1号楼).

And the meeting on Feb. 7 in the afternoon will be held at the Institute of Microbiology, Chinese Academy Science (中国科学院微生物所: 北京朝阳区北辰西路1号院3号E301会议室), (b)(6) is hosting the meeting on behalf of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and China CDC, he will definitely extend an invitation to you all soon to provide more information. (b)(6) assistant and I are still working on the agenda and will share it to all participants when it's available.

Hope this helps, let me know if any further information I can provide.

Best Regards,

(b)(6)

On Jan 19, 2017, at 8:39 AM, (b)(6)  
<(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>> wrote:

Hi [redacted]

To follow up on the additional questions regarding contact and location, [redacted] (cc'ed from EcoHealth Alliance) should be able to help answer some of those questions as she has been directly liaising with our Chinese colleagues to plan the event.

[redacted] - Some of our colleagues from the Embassy in Beijing may attend the meeting and/or the event, could you provide them with the information requested below?

Best,

[redacted]

[redacted]

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Bureau for Global Health  
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On Thu, Jan 19, 2017 at 8:34 AM, [redacted]

<[redacted]@usaid.gov <mailto:[redacted]@usaid.gov>> wrote:

Hello All,

Attached is the current version of the Agenda, however we have quite a number of edits and changes to make, including to the portion with the Chinese CDC, etc. Over the next several days, we will be working to add in times and other updated details. Then, we will be meeting on the 26th to finalize with the core group in person. After that, we will have a final (or close to it) version for distribution to attendees.

[redacted]

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Telephone: [redacted] > Cell: [redacted] >  
[redacted]@usaid.gov <mailto:[redacted]@usaid.gov>

On Wed, Jan 18, 2017 at 9:14 PM, [redacted] (Beijing)

<[redacted]@state.gov <mailto:[redacted]@state.gov>> wrote:

Hi, [redacted]

If the agenda is not available yet, do you have information of meeting venue? Or could you let us know the contacts of China CDC (working level people lower than (b)(6)) so that we can reach out to them for detailed information?

Many thanks,

(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>]

Sent: Saturday, January 14, 2017 5:15 AM

(b)(6)

Subject: Re: Fw: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Hello (b)(6) or (b)(6),

Can you please circulate the agenda for the GVP Beijing meeting. Please see request below.

Best,

(b)(6)

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On Thu, Jan 12, 2017 at 11:47 AM, (b)(6)  
<(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov><mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:  
(b)(6)@usaid.gov>>>> wrote:

Hello (b)(6) or (b)(6),

Can you please circulate the agenda for the GVP Beijing meeting. Please see request below.

Best,

(b)(6)

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On Tue, Jan 10, 2017 at 7:56 PM, [redacted] (Beijing)  
<[redacted]@state.gov<mailto:[redacted]@state.gov><mailto:[redacted]@state.gov<mailto:[redacted]@state.gov>>> wrote:  
Hi, [redacted]

Embassy colleagues are interested in attending the workshop, and is it possible to attend some of the sessions of the GVP meeting as well? Could you please share with us the agenda of the GVP Beijing meeting including the workshop on the afternoon of 7th, if it's available?

Many thanks,  
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**From:** (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Sent:** Thu, 2 Feb 2017 02:22:18 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Cc:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Thank you all! I don't see a problem in having Dr. Daszak participate if everyone is in agreement on that. I think he could certainly provide some key insights for the journalists.

If we could hold the roundtable Monday, beginning at 5:15pm (and lasting until around 6:00pm), that would be optimal among the options we're working with. I think it is important to include (b)(6) in the conversation, so want to make sure he can participate. Early Monday morning probably would not work.

I could plan to moderate the interaction, unless you have a preference otherwise. I would plan to very briefly open the interaction up, set the ground rules (all on-the-record), then turn it over to the speakers who, I would suggest, each make brief (2-5 min) opening, contextual statements before opening to questions from the journalists which would last 30-40 minutes.

With what seems to be agreement on the roundtable, might we proceed with sending out some initial invites? In order to do so, could someone please send me short bios for (b)(6) and Daszak and a very brief summary of either next week's meeting which you would be comfortable sharing with the press for planning purposes or the GVP to provide context to the journalists? If materials are available in Chinese, that would be great, but no worries if not.

Again, we're very excited about this opportunity, but I do want to emphasize again that we're still in the middle of a major Chinese holiday, so we'll do our best to ensure a good turnout. Please do let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

(b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 02, 2017 8:41 AM  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Cc:** (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6) (b)(6)  
(b)(6) Beijing)  
**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Thank you, (b)(6)

Hi (b)(6)

Wednesday 11:00am-2:00pm works for Peter, too (flight 5:00 pm), but (b)(6) is unlikely to be there.

Tuesday 5-7pm after the CNVP event may not work because there is a dinner planned for Peter, (b)(6) with Beijing Genomics Institute and other funders.

Monday 5:15-7pm seems the best option, but would it be too late for journalists to come? Otherwise, it has to be early in the morning before 9am?

Thanks,

(b)(6)

On Feb 1, 2017, at 4:56 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:

Hi (b)(6)

In terms of the timing, I think these options could work:

Monday: Before 9am, lunch (possibly tight with the picture), or 5:15 - 7pm

Tuesday: Before 9am, lunch (might be hard b/c many people's last chance to engage with them given the afternoon event and departures that evening), or 5 - 7pm.

Also, I think we could possibly pull them out during the speed dating, although the intention was to have them be part of it and that was the opportunity for each working group to have a chance to meet with the core group attendees ((b)(6) Peter, (b)(6) me). So, having (b)(6) (& Peter) gone is definitely workable, but not optimal.

Wednesday: For (b)(6), anytime before around 3pm (flight 6:25pm), although also scheduling an out-briefing at the Embassy.

Unfortunately, we had a lot of trouble during the Bellagio meeting the couple times that people wanted to pull (b)(6) out of the room. There was concern that since we had limited time (in that case, 3 days) and he is the overall lead, they wanted him in the room during all the conversations. So, in this case, if Wednesday or a morning/early evening is an option, that would be the easiest.

Best,

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 3:49 PM, (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:  
Hi (b)(6)

Thank you so much for the detailed information. No problem for the venue, I can easily find a small meeting room at the CNCC, and I think English should be fine, I can help with the translation if needed, we did this before in other events in China.

As for the interaction with journalists, I would suggest to include Dr. Peter Daszak, if possible. Dr. Daszak is a member of the GVP initiative team, who has been working in China for decades and playing a critical role in bridging research and resources between the US and China. I guess the story will be more interesting if the journalists can find out how much he likes China and working with Chinese local people as a western person, and his belief in China as the most potential countries in relevant research based on his experience. But it's all up to you, please no pressure.

Hi (b)(6)

I am concerned about the time, looking at the agenda, it seems we only have breakfast and lunch time available for other activities outside the meeting on Tuesday, I am wondering would it be possible to do it 1) in Monday evening after the meeting around 5:00pm? or 2) Any session during Tuesday morning would work? Can (b)(6) be absent from the "speed dating" interactive session for ~45 mins? Please let me know what do you think.

Thanks,

(b)(6)

On Feb 1, 2017, at 3:50 AM, (b)(6) (Beijing) (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Dear (b)(6)

Happy Chinese New Year! To follow up, I had a chance to discuss potential press for the GVP meeting further with our team today, and I've floated the below idea with (b)(6) and his team. If both sides are amenable to this plan, we would like to suggest holding a limited joint press roundtable with 6-8 reps from the local Chinese and Western press on the sidelines of next week's meeting, preferably at a convenient time on Tuesday which would give us additional time to flag this for folks who are just returning and getting back to work after the holiday.

Our thinking is that (b)(6) could lead the interaction with journalists from the outlets I've listed below, which could last around 45 minutes, if schedules permit. Please let us know if you would be interested in pursuing this option, and if you have any concerns or questions beyond what has been flagged separately. Again, we don't want to get ahead of anything here, but do think there is a

good story to share -- about the global nature of the initiative and, within that, roles the United States and China are playing to make this a reality.

Having reviewed the latest agenda for the meeting, I'm not inclined to suggest opening the meeting or any particular session to press coverage, but if you feel there is something here that the press might particularly benefit from sitting in on and which would not otherwise be impacted by their presence please just let us know. Otherwise, we would suggest keeping press involvement limited to the roundtable, or some version thereof, if both sides agree.

As you know, the proximity of the meeting to the Chinese holiday could impact the turnout, but we'll do our best to make this work if there is interest and agreement on the general message from both sides. One more question – ideally, we could conduct the roundtable in English, inviting English-speaking journalists. Does this sound doable, or would you suggest having an interpreter on hand?

If this is a go, is there a suitable, private space at the CNCC that would accommodate around 10 people at a table for this purpose?

Here are potential roundtable participants we're considering inviting (for a total of 6-8 journalists):

Chinese

China Business News  
Guokr  
People's Daily  
Health Daily  
Southern Metropolis  
The Paper

Western

AP  
Bloomberg  
Wall Street Journal  
Science Magazine

I look forward to hearing from you when possible. However, if there is interest, I think we should try to begin reaching out to journalists by Friday Beijing time at the very latest. Please just let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best,

(b)(6)

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**From:** (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org]

**Sent:** Thursday, January 26, 2017 10:54 PM

**To:** (b)(6) (Beijing)

(b)(6) (Beijing);

**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Dear (b)(6)

Nice to meet you online, too!

Thanks for your information. I briefly talked with (b)(6) of China CDC and also the China representative in the GVP effort) about this last night, both us think this would be an opportunity to built more research ties between China and the U.S.

And for your information, there will be two parts of GVP events in Beijing on Feb. 6-7:

- The whole day of Feb. 6 and the morning of Feb. 7 will be the GVP Steering Committee Meeting with scientists and policy-makers from across the world to “To forge a consensus on the next steps for the GVP to achieve the goals of building a world safe from emerging viral threats and to lay out a clear roadmap for the launch of the GVP that will provide the best possible outcomes for protecting global health”. There will be two representatives from China to participate.
- In the afternoon of Feb. 7 after the GVP Steering Committee Meeting, there will be a China National Virome Project (CNVP) Initiative Meeting at the Chinese Academy of Sciences, to discuss about the strategies and plans to launch the project from China side. Many Chinese scientists and relevant agencies will attend the meeting, there will be a lot conversation going on around how China can contribute to the global GVP efforts with local sources and by expanding current international collaborations.

Please find more information from the attached draft Beijing agenda.

So as long as (b)(6) agrees on this, we are happy to work with you from China side to have some press coverage on these activities. We haven't invited any Chinese media, but can try to invite some after the Chinese New Year, or do you have any suggestions in terms of the Chinese media you usually work with? And there will be two photographers taking photos and videos for the GVP Steering Committee Meeting, which can be shared them to you if wanted.

Please feel free to contact me anytime if anything I can help. I will arrive in Beijing on Feb. 3, and look forward to meeting and working with you!

Happy Chinese New Year!!

(b)(6)

On Jan 26, 2017, at 2:02 AM (b)(6) (Beijing) (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Dear (b)(6)



It's a pleasure to meet you over email. We think the Global Virome Project is great story to share – not only as a powerful, innovative initiative, but also a great example of U.S.-China cooperation on such an important issue. We don't want to get ahead of ourselves and fully respect if partners do not wish to promote the upcoming meeting. However, if there is interest in press engagement, we would love to work with you on making this happen – either in terms of solo or joint engagements with the U.S. and Chinese side, and with the Chinese and/or Western press – on the sidelines of the meeting. I welcome your suggestions, and look forward to working with you.

Best

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

Assistant Information Officer  
US Embassy Beijing

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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 26, 2017 9:54 AM  
**To:** (b)(6); (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Cc:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** FW: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Dear (b)(6)

Nice talking with you on the phone. We fully understand the Chinese organizers don't want to have any publicity of the China National Virome Program, but both you and our side recognize that the Beijing meeting is an opportunity to promote GVP, and the publicity of GVP Beijing meeting could potentially help promote GVP among Chinese stakeholders, as well as US-China cooperation.

So we'd like to connect you with (b)(6) of US Embassy in Beijing. (b)(6) and his assistant will further discuss with you the possible advocacy of this event (without covering the afternoon of 7th).

Hi, (b)(6)

(b)(6) of Eco-Health Alliance, based in the US. She is coordinating the GVP Beijing meeting, working closely with China CDC and USAID.

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**From:** (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Sent:** Fri, 3 Feb 2017 01:15:57 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Many thanks (b)(6)  
(b)(6)

**From:** (b)(6)@usaid.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 03, 2017 12:40 AM  
**To:** (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Cc:** (b)(6) (b)(6)  
(Beijing); (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

(b)(6)  
Hi

Unfortunately, I'm not aware of any materials in Chinese which could be shared, although others may have.

For the GVP, we generally direct people to the [website](#) as it provides a high level overview and has a few key short documents on the Resources page.

For the meeting, the overall objective (as per the agenda) is: *To provide an update on progress since Bellagio, as well as forge a consensus on the next steps for the GVP to achieve the goals of building a world safe from emerging viral threats and to lay out a clear roadmap for the launch of the GVP that will provide the best possible outcomes for protecting global health.* It builds upon the first steering committee meeting, hosted by the Rockefeller Foundation at their Bellagio facility. The CNVP Initiative Meeting on Tuesday afternoon is the first meeting of its kind, given the interest of China in serving as one of the first countries to begin their National Virome Project.

Additionally, if they would like to reference documents which are already out there in the press, below is a list of links which either directly reference the GVP or which are around topics which serve as the basis for the need for the GVP.

In July, members of our core team participated in a conversation hosted by the World Affairs Council. That recording (which also appeared on certain NPR outlets) can be found [here](#). Additionally, various members of our core team have presented about the GVP as part of the outreach process to further shape the project moving forward, a recording of the event at the Cosmos Club in DC can be found [here](#).

Please let me know if I can provide anything additional.

Best,

(b)(6)

GVP-related Articles

<http://www.nydailynews.com/opinion/lieberman-karesh-raising-biodefenses-article-1.2744779>

<http://www.marketplace.org/2016/08/25/world/could-we-have-prevented-zika>

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<http://www.worldaffairs.org/blog/765-guest-post-the-global-virome-project-the-beginning-of-the-end-of-the-pandemic-era>

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<https://www.asm.org/index.php/asm-video-on-demand/documentaries-interviews-podcasts-and-more-videos/interviews-videos/item/5458-emerging-pathogen-surveillance-with-jonna-mazet-phd>

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 10:33 PM, (b)(6) (Beijing) (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:

Many thanks (b)(6)

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From: (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org]

Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 11:29 AM

To: (b)(6) (Beijing)

Cc: (b)(6)

(b)(6) (b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6)

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Hi (b)(6),

Thank you very much for being flexible about the time! I totally understand that the Chinese New Year usually lasts for a long time, and many people would take annual leave during this holiday, so please don't worry, I believe it will be successful as long as we are delivering the right message. And we will be able to have some follow-ups for this project sometime in future.

Please find the short-bios of (b)(6) Peter, and (b)(6) in the attachment, and I think (b)(6) will have more accurate information about this meeting that can be shared to you.

Please let me know if anything else I can help.

Best,

(b)(6)

On Feb 1, 2017, at 9:22 PM (b)(6) (Beijing)  
(b)(6) @state.gov <mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:

Thank you all! I don't see a problem in having Dr. Daszak participate if everyone is in agreement on that. I think he could certainly provide some key insights for the journalists.

If we could hold the roundtable Monday, beginning at 5:15pm (and lasting until around 6:00pm), that would be optimal among the options we're working with. I think it is important to include (b)(6) in the conversation, so want to make sure he can participate. Early Monday morning probably would not work.

I could plan to moderate the interaction, unless you have a preference otherwise. I would plan to very briefly open the interaction up, set the ground rules (all on-the-record), then turn it over to the speakers who, I would suggest, each make brief (2-5 min) opening, contextual statements before opening to questions from the journalists which would last 30-40 minutes.

With what seems to be agreement on the roundtable, might we proceed with sending out some initial invites? In order to do so, could someone please send me short bios for (b)(6) and Daszak and a very brief summary of either next week's meeting which you would be comfortable sharing with the press for planning purposes or the GVP to provide context to the journalists? If materials are available in Chinese, that would be great, but no worries if not.

Again, we're very excited about this opportunity, but I do want to emphasize again that we're still in the middle of a major Chinese holiday, so we'll do our best to ensure a good turnout. Please do let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

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From: [redacted]@ecohealthalliance.org]  
Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 8:41 AM  
To: [redacted]  
Cc: [redacted] (Beijing); [redacted]  
(Beijing); [redacted] (Beijing)  
Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Thank you, [redacted]!

Hi [redacted],

Wednesday 11:00am-2:00pm works for Peter, too (flight 5:00 pm), but [redacted] is unlikely to be there.

Tuesday 5-7pm after the CNVP event may not work because there is a dinner planned for Peter, [redacted], and [redacted] with Beijing Genomics Institute and other funders.

Monday 5:15-7pm seems the best option, but would it be too late for journalists to come? Otherwise, it has to be early in the morning before 9am?

Thanks,

[redacted]

On Feb 1, 2017, at 4:56 PM, [redacted]

<[redacted]@usaid.gov<mailto:[redacted]@usaid.gov>> wrote:

Hi [redacted],

In terms of the timing, I think these options could work:

Monday: Before 9am, lunch (possibly tight with the picture), or 5:15 - 7pm

Tuesday: Before 9am, lunch (might be hard b/c many people's last chance to engage with them given the afternoon event and departures that evening), or 5 - 7pm.

Also, I think we could possibly pull them out during the speed dating, although the intention was to have them be part of it and that was the opportunity for each working group to have a chance to meet with the core group attendees ([redacted], Peter, [redacted], me). So, having [redacted] (& Peter) gone is definitely workable, but not optimal.

Wednesday: For [redacted], anytime before around 3pm (flight 6:25pm), although also scheduling an out-briefing at the Embassy.

Unfortunately, we had a lot of trouble during the Bellagio meeting the couple times that people wanted to pull [redacted] out of the room. There was concern that since we had limited time (in that case, 3 days) and he is the overall lead, they wanted him in the room during all the conversations. So, in this case, if Wednesday or a morning/early evening is an option, that would be the easiest.

Best,

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 3:49 PM, (b)(6)

(b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org<mailto:(b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>> wrote:

Hi Torrey,

Thank you so much for the detailed information. No problem for the venue, I can easily find a small meeting room at the CNCC, and I think English should be fine, I can help with the translation if needed, we did this before in other events in China.

As for the interaction with journalists, I would suggest to include Dr. Peter Daszak, if possible. Dr. Daszak is a member of the GVP initiative team, who has been working in China for decades and playing a critical role in bridging research and resources between the US and China. I guess the story will be more interesting if the journalists can find out how much he likes China and working with Chinese local people as a western person, and his belief in China as the most potential countries in relevant research based on his experience. But it's all up to you, please no pressure.

Hi (b)(6)

I am concerned about the time, looking at the agenda, it seems we only have breakfast and lunch time available for other activities outside the meeting on Tuesday, I am wondering would it be possible to do it 1) in Monday evening after the meeting around 5:00pm? or 2) Any session during Tuesday morning would work? Can (b)(6) and (b)(6) be absent from the "speed dating" interactive session for ~45 mins? Please let me know what do you think.

Thanks,

(b)(6)

On Feb 1, 2017, at 3:50 AM, (b)(6) (Beijing)

(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:



Dear (b)(6)

Happy Chinese New Year! To follow up, I had a chance to discuss potential press for the GVP meeting further with our team today, and I've floated the below idea with (b)(6) and his team. If both sides are amenable to this plan, we would like to suggest holding a limited joint press roundtable with 6-8 reps from the local Chinese and Western press on the sidelines of next week's meeting, preferably at a convenient time on Tuesday which would give us additional time to flag this for folks who are just returning and getting back to work after the holiday.

Our thinking is that (b)(6) could lead the interaction with journalists from the outlets I've listed below, which could last around 45 minutes, if schedules permit. Please let us know if you would be interested in pursuing this option, and if you have any concerns or questions beyond what has been flagged separately. Again, we don't want to get ahead of anything here, but do think there is a good story to share -- about the global nature of the initiative and, within that, roles the United States and China are playing to make this a reality.

Having reviewed the latest agenda for the meeting, I'm not inclined to suggest opening the meeting or any particular session to press coverage, but if you feel there is something here that the press might particularly benefit from sitting in on and which would not otherwise be impacted by their presence please just let us know. Otherwise, we would suggest keeping press involvement limited to the roundtable, or some version thereof, if both sides agree.

As you know, the proximity of the meeting to the Chinese holiday could impact the turnout, but we'll do our best to make this work if there is interest and agreement on the general message from both sides. One more question -- ideally, we could conduct the roundtable in English, inviting English-speaking journalists. Does this sound doable, or would you suggest having an interpreter on hand?

If this is a go, is there a suitable, private space at the CNCC that would accommodate around 10 people at a table for this purpose?

Here are potential roundtable participants we're considering inviting (for a total of 6-8 journalists):

Chinese

China Business News

Guokr

People's Daily

Health Daily

Southern Metropolis

The Paper

Western

AP  
Bloomberg  
Wall Street Journal  
Science Magazine

I look forward to hearing from you when possible. However, if there is interest, I think we should try to begin reaching out to journalists by Friday Beijing time at the very latest. Please just let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best,

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From: (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org]

Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2017 10:54 PM

To: (b)(6) (Beijing)

Cc: (b)(6) (b)(6)

(Beijing); (b)(6)

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

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Please feel free to contact me anytime if anything I can help. I will arrive in Beijing on Feb. 3, and look forward to meeting and working with you!

Happy Chinese New Year!!

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**Sent:** Mon, 30 Jan 2017 16:35:40 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Press/PD for GVP  
**Attachments:** Beijing Agenda.docx

I can come explain - (b)(6) is also meeting with (b)(6) on Sunday before the Beijing mtgs start.

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From: (b)(6) (Beijing) (b)(6)@state.gov>

Date: Sat, Jan 28, 2017 at 3:29 AM

Subject: Press/PD for GVP

To: (b)(6)@usaid.gov>

Cc: (b)(6) (Beijing)"(b)(6)@state.gov>, (b)(6)

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Dear (b)(6),

Greetings from the Beijing embassy's press office. We're looking forward to your upcoming visit to Beijing and potentially promoting the GVP through social media and/or engagement with the local Chinese and Western press. We think this is a fascinating project and a good story of US-China cooperation on a very important issue.

I'm forwarding below a recent exchange I had with (b)(6) from Eco Healthcare about arranging press on the sidelines of the Feb 6-7 meeting -- to highlight GVP and areas where our countries are cooperating on this initiative. Is this something you would be interested in doing? Perhaps a joint interview or small press roundtable with (b)(6) during a convenient break at the meeting?

We're in the middle of China's largest holiday at the moment, but when everyone returns to work mid-next week, I'd like to discuss this further and identify the best press option/folks to worth with on this, but we first wanted to make sure this is something you're interested in. The Chinese

side initially did not plan to have press around the meeting given that funding is still being discussed, etc., but seem up for discussing this project with the press in general terms. I welcome your thoughts on this opportunity, what messages you would like to highlight, and we'll work to make this happen.

Beyond press engagement, I think this would also be a great initiative to promote on social media, again if there is interest. We could work with you and your team to prepare a social media posting with a great graphic or link to further info to help promote awareness among our Chinese audience of the great work you're doing, and what this might mean for them.

Our press office here at the embassy also has a somewhat nascent though popular video series called "What X Means to Me," in which we film short videos of visiting experts talking about subjects they're passionate about. We think you and the GVP would be a great fit for this program. We can shoot the video in about 15 minutes here at the embassy, or elsewhere if need be, we're very mobile. Here's a write-up on the program, and I've included links below to some popular, recent videos:

Each 90-second episode in this series features an individual sharing their personal perspective on a particular topic – the "X" to which the title refers. These topics are related to the individual, their area of expertise, and U.S. Mission to China priorities. For example, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito shared his personal insights on "Rule of Law," while NASA Administrator (and astronaut) Charlie Bolden talked about what "Space" means to him. This footage is combined with editorial photography and/or background video to create a short piece (approximately 90 seconds in length) which is captioned in the language in which the interview was conducted. Chinese subtitles are also added as needed. These videos are posted and promoted on the U.S. Embassy's Chinese social media platforms which have over 1 million Chinese followers. Filming takes approximately 15 minutes.

Here is the link to the our video with NASA Administrator Bolden on "space":[http://v.youku.com/v\\_show/id\\_XMTc2NDg0MDMxMg==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2](http://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMTc2NDg0MDMxMg==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2)

Here is an episode with NIH's Dr. Ted Trimble on "cancer":[http://v.youku.com/v\\_show/id\\_XMTY3MTA3MzYwOA==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2](http://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMTY3MTA3MzYwOA==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2).



We look forward to working with you and your team on this visit. Please just let me know if you have any questions (a note that I'll be checking this account sporadically through the holiday, and returning full time when the embassy reopens on Wed, Feb 1),

Best

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

Assistant Information Officer  
US Embassy, Beijing

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Wed, 1 Feb 2017 22:32:33 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Hi (b)(6),

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Hope I'm not further complicating - if easier, feel free to call me (b)(6).

Best,

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 5:25 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:

Hey (b)(6)

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This description isn't for public or press, just to try and accurately convey what's going on to various public affairs teams within the USG.

(b)(6)

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 5:17 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:

Hi (b)(6) & (b)(6),

Thank you for the quick turn-around with all of this. My edits are included below, feel free to delete any.

Best,

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 5:11 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov> wrote:

Hi (b)(6),

My only suggestion is to update our unit's name, updated in the text. Otherwise, unless (b)(6) has an additional modification to add it looks fine--

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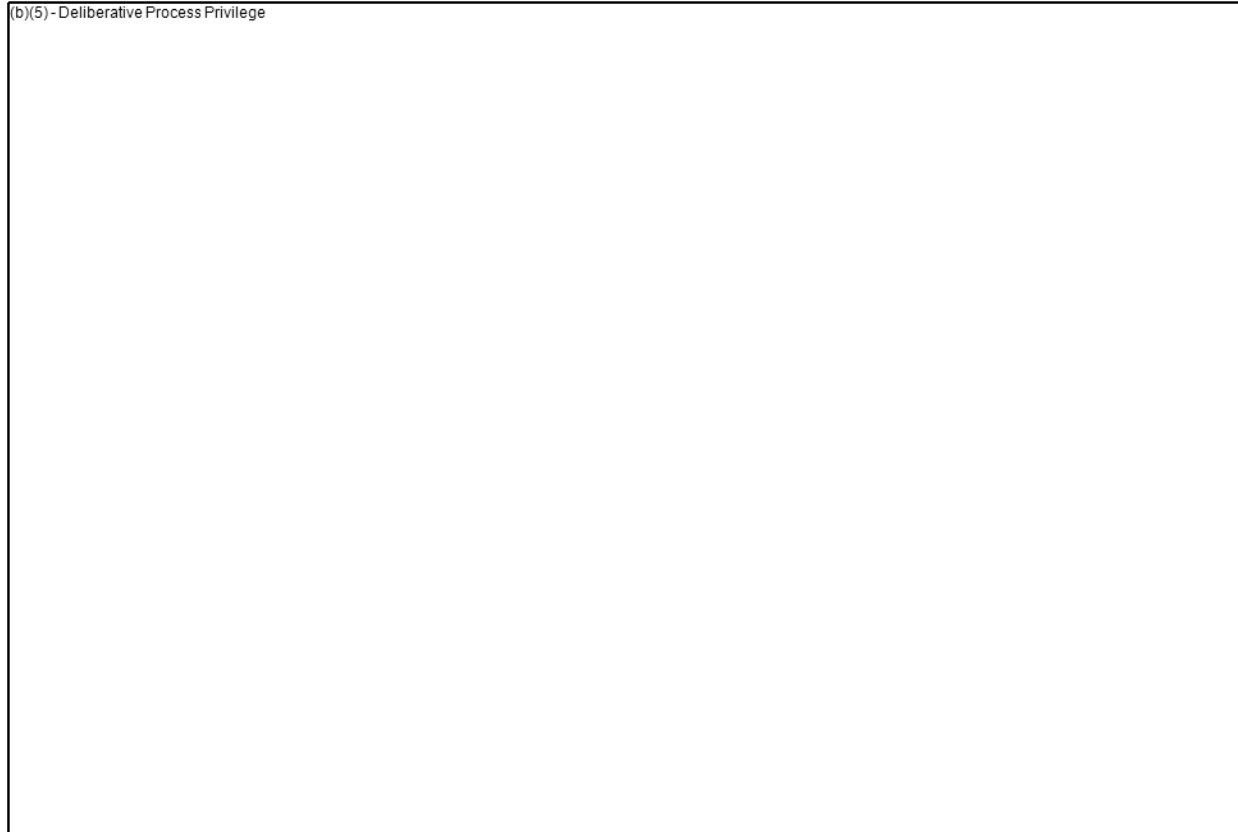
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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 5:04 PM, (b)(6)@usa.gov> wrote:  
Hi (b)(6),

Can you guys clear the below paragraph so we can clear it here at USAID and then beyond?

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**Sent:** Thu, 2 Feb 2017 16:39:30 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6) (Beijing)  
**Cc:** (b)(6)  
(b)(6) (Beijing), (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Hi (b)(6)

Unfortunately, I'm not aware of any materials in Chinese which could be shared, although others may have.

For the GVP, we generally direct people to the website as it provides a high level overview and has a few key short documents on the Resources page.

For the meeting, the overall objective (as per the agenda) is: *To provide an update on progress since Bellagio, as well as forge a consensus on the next steps for the GVP to achieve the goals of building a world safe from emerging viral threats and to lay out a clear roadmap for the launch of the GVP that will provide the best possible outcomes for protecting global health.* It builds upon the first steering committee meeting, hosted by the Rockefeller Foundation at their Bellagio facility. The CNVP Initiative Meeting on Tuesday afternoon is the first meeting of its kind, given the interest of China in serving as one of the first countries to begin their National Virome Project.

Additionally, if they would like to reference documents which are already out there in the press, below is a list of links which either directly reference the GVP or which are around topics which serve as the basis for the need for the GVP.

In July, members of our core team participated in a conversation hosted by the World Affairs Council. That recording (which also appeared on certain NPR outlets) can be found here. Additionally, various members of our core team have presented about the GVP as part of the outreach process to further shape the project moving forward, a recording of the event at the Cosmos Club in DC can be found here.

Please let me know if I can provide anything additional.

Best,  
(b)(6)

#### GVP-related Articles

<http://www.nydailynews.com/opinion/lieberman-karesh-raising-biodefenses-article-1.2744779>

<http://www.marketplace.org/2016/08/25/world/could-we-have-prevented-zika>

[https://www.statnews.com/2016/12/13/world-viruses-global-virome-project/?\\_hsenc=p2ANqtz-PA4z56\\_HqcgiRxo47S7npcTH1IGCK2NTqrC29mCKnOGtFiNWpwJyAeou7W1hLrCTr7XS4AVWVjKYvkDauLhnNKUxwQ&\\_hsmi=39175628](https://www.statnews.com/2016/12/13/world-viruses-global-virome-project/?_hsenc=p2ANqtz-PA4z56_HqcgiRxo47S7npcTH1IGCK2NTqrC29mCKnOGtFiNWpwJyAeou7W1hLrCTr7XS4AVWVjKYvkDauLhnNKUxwQ&_hsmi=39175628)

<http://www.worldaffairs.org/blog/765-guest-post-the-global-virome-project-the-beginning-of-the-end-of-the-pandemic-era>

<https://microbepost.org/2016/11/30/microbe-talk-november-2016/>

<https://www.asm.org/index.php/asm-video-on-demand/documentaries-interviews-podcasts-and-more-videos/interviews-videos/item/5458-emerging-pathogen-surveillance-with-jonna-mazet-phd>

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 10:33 PM (b)(6) (Beijing) (b)(6)@state.gov> wrote:  
Many thanks (b)(6)!

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From: (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org]

Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 11:29 AM

To: (b)(6) (Beijing)

Cc: (b)(6)

(b)(6) (Beijing); (b)(6)

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Hi (b)(6)

Thank you very much for being flexible about the time! I totally understand that the Chinese New Year usually lasts for a long time, and many people would take annual leave during this holiday, so please don't worry, I believe it will be successful as long as we are delivering the right message. And we will be able to have some follow-ups for this project sometime in future.

Please find the short-bios of (b)(6), Peter, and (b)(6) in the attachment, and I think (b)(6) will

have more accurate information about this meeting that can be shared to you.

Please let me know if anything else I can help.

Best,

(b)(6)

On Feb 1, 2017, at 9:22 PM, (b)(6) (Beijing)  
(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:

Thank you all! I don't see a problem in having Dr. Daszak participate if everyone is in agreement on that. I think he could certainly provide some key insights for the journalists.

If we could hold the roundtable Monday, beginning at 5:15pm (and lasting until around 6:00pm), that would be optimal among the options we're working with. I think it is important to include (b)(6) in the conversation, so want to make sure he can participate. Early Monday morning probably would not work.

I could plan to moderate the interaction, unless you have a preference otherwise. I would plan to very briefly open the interaction up, set the ground rules (all on-the-record), then turn it over to the speakers who, I would suggest, each make brief (2-5 min) opening, contextual statements before opening to questions from the journalists which would last 30-40 minutes.

With what seems to be agreement on the roundtable, might we proceed with sending out some initial invites? In order to do so, could someone please send me short bios for (b)(6) and Daszak and a very brief summary of either next week's meeting which you would be comfortable sharing with the press for planning purposes or the GVP to provide context to the journalists? If materials are available in Chinese, that would be great, but no worries if not.

Again, we're very excited about this opportunity, but I do want to emphasize again that we're still in the middle of a major Chinese holiday, so we'll do our best to ensure a good turnout. Please do let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

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From: (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org]

Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 8:41 AM

To: (b)(6)

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(b)(6) (b)(6) Beijing)

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)



Thank you, (b)(6)!

Hi (b)(6)

Wednesday 11:00am-2:00pm works for Peter, too (flight 5:00 pm), but (b)(6) is unlikely to be there.

Tuesday 5-7pm after the CNVP event may not work because there is a dinner planned for Peter, (b)(6) with Beijing Genomics Institute and other funders.

Monday 5:15-7pm seems the best option, but would it be too late for journalists to come? Otherwise, it has to be early in the morning before 9am?

Thanks,

(b)(6)

On Feb 1, 2017, at 4:56 PM, (b)(6)

<(b)(6)@usaid.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@usaid.gov>> wrote:

Hi (b)(6)

In terms of the timing, I think these options could work:

Monday: Before 9am, lunch (possibly tight with the picture), or 5:15 - 7pm

Tuesday: Before 9am, lunch (might be hard b/c many people's last chance to engage with them given the afternoon event and departures that evening), or 5 - 7pm.

Also, I think we could possibly pull them out during the speed dating, although the intention was to have them be part of it and that was the opportunity for each working group to have a chance to meet with the core group attendees ((b)(6), Peter, (b)(6), me). So, having (b)(6) (& Peter) gone is definitely workable, but not optimal.

Wednesday: For (b)(6) anytime before around 3pm (flight 6:25pm), although also scheduling an out-briefing at the Embassy.

Unfortunately, we had a lot of trouble during the Bellagio meeting the couple times that people wanted to pull (b)(6) out of the room. There was concern that since we had limited time (in that case, 3 days) and he is the overall lead, they wanted him in the room during all the conversations. So, in this case, if Wednesday or a morning/early evening is an option, that would be the easiest.

Best,

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 3:49 PM, (b)(6)  
(b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org<mailto:(b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org>> wrote:  
Hi Torrey,

Thank you so much for the detailed information. No problem for the venue, I can easily find a small meeting room at the CNCC, and I think English should be fine, I can help with the translation if needed, we did this before in other events in China.

As for the interaction with journalists, I would suggest to include Dr. Peter Daszak, if possible. Dr. Daszak is a member of the GVP initiative team, who has been working in China for decades and playing a critical role in bridging research and resources between the US and China. I guess the story will be more interesting if the journalists can find out how much he likes China and working with Chinese local people as a western person, and his belief in China as the most potential countries in relevant research based on his experience. But it's all up to you, please no pressure.

Hi (b)(6)

I am concerned about the time, looking at the agenda, it seems we only have breakfast and lunch time available for other activities outside the meeting on Tuesday, I am wondering would it be possible to do it 1) in Monday evening after the meeting around 5:00pm? or 2) Any session during Tuesday morning would work? Can (b)(6) be absent from the "speed dating" interactive session for ~45 mins? Please let me know what do you think.

Thanks,

(b)(6)

On Feb 1, 2017, at 3:50 AM, (b)(6) (Beijing)  
(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:

Dear (b)(6)

Happy Chinese New Year! To follow up, I had a chance to discuss potential press for the GVP meeting further with our team today, and I've floated the below idea with (b)(6) and his team. If both sides are amenable to this plan, we would like to suggest holding a limited joint press roundtable with 6-8 reps from the local Chinese and Western press on the sidelines of next

week's meeting, preferably at a convenient time on Tuesday which would give us additional time to flag this for folks who are just returning and getting back to work after the holiday.

Our thinking is that (b)(6) could lead the interaction with journalists from the outlets I've listed below, which could last around 45 minutes, if schedules permit. Please let us know if you would be interested in pursuing this option, and if you have any concerns or questions beyond what has been flagged separately. Again, we don't want to get ahead of anything here, but do think there is a good story to share -- about the global nature of the initiative and, within that, roles the United States and China are playing to make this a reality.

Having reviewed the latest agenda for the meeting, I'm not inclined to suggest opening the meeting or any particular session to press coverage, but if you feel there is something here that the press might particularly benefit from sitting in on and which would not otherwise be impacted by their presence please just let us know. Otherwise, we would suggest keeping press involvement limited to the roundtable, or some version thereof, if both sides agree.

As you know, the proximity of the meeting to the Chinese holiday could impact the turnout, but we'll do our best to make this work if there is interest and agreement on the general message from both sides. One more question – ideally, we could conduct the roundtable in English, inviting English-speaking journalists. Does this sound doable, or would you suggest having an interpreter on hand?

If this is a go, is there a suitable, private space at the CNCC that would accommodate around 10 people at a table for this purpose?

Here are potential roundtable participants we're considering inviting (for a total of 6-8 journalists):

Chinese

China Business News  
Guokr  
People's Daily  
Health Daily  
Southern Metropolis  
The Paper

Western

AP  
Bloomberg  
Wall Street Journal  
Science Magazine

I look forward to hearing from you when possible. However, if there is interest, I think we should try to begin reaching out to journalists by Friday Beijing time at the very latest. Please

just let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best,

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From: (b)(6) [redacted]@ecohealthalliance.org]

Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2017 10:54 PM

To: (b)(6) [redacted] Beijing)

Cc: (b)(6) [redacted] (b)(6) [redacted]

(Beijing); (b)(6) [redacted]

Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

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\* The whole day of Feb. 6 and the morning of Feb. 7 will be the GVP Steering Committee Meeting with scientists and policy-makers from across the world to “To forge a consensus on the next steps for the GVP to achieve the goals of building a world safe from emerging viral threats and to lay out a clear roadmap for the launch of the GVP that will provide the best possible outcomes for protecting global health”. There will be two representatives from China to participate.

\* In the afternoon of Feb. 7 after the GVP Steering Committee Meeting, there will be a China National Virome Project (CNVP) Initiative Meeting at the Chinese Academy of Sciences, to discuss about the strategies and plans to launch the project from China side. Many Chinese scientists and relevant agencies will attend the meeting, there will be a lot conversation going on around how China can contribute to the global GVP efforts with local sources and by expanding current international collaborations.

Please find more information from the attached draft Beijing agenda.

So as long as (b)(6) [redacted] agrees on this, we are happy to work with you from China side to have some press coverage on these activities. We haven't invited any Chinese media, but can try to invite some after the Chinese New Year, or do you have any suggestions in terms of the Chinese media you usually work with? And there will be two photographers taking photos and videos for the GVP Steering Committee Meeting, which can be shared them to you if wanted.

Please feel free to contact me anytime if anything I can help. I will arrive in Beijing on Feb. 3, and look forward to meeting and working with you!

Happy Chinese New Year!!

(b)(6)

On Jan 26, 2017, at 2:02 AM, (b)(6) (Beijing)  
(b)(6)@state.gov<mailto:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:

Dear (b)(6),

It's a pleasure to meet you over email. We think the Global Virome Project is great story to share – not only as a powerful, innovative initiative, but also a great example of U.S.-China cooperation on such an important issue. We don't want to get ahead of ourselves and fully respect if partners do not wish to promote the upcoming meeting. However, if there is interest in press engagement, we would love to work with you on making this happen – either in terms of solo or joint engagements with the U.S. and Chinese side, and with the Chinese and/or Western press – on the sidelines of the meeting. I welcome your suggestions, and look forward to working with you.

Best,

(b)(6)

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Cc: (b)(6)  
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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Tue, 31 Jan 2017 20:22:59 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Re: Press/PD for GVP

Yay! Glad that it was okay! These things create unnecessary stress! :)

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On Tue, Jan 31, 2017 at 3:18 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:  
YES! this was an awesome message. V diplomatic, esp "For your awareness, we have been public about the GVP (see below) to some extent so far, but have made efforts to avoid the initiative being labeled as a "USG Effort" as it is truly a global effort in which USAID has had a catalytic role (particularly due to our support of the proof of concept, the PREDICT project). Other than that, we defer to you and our LPA colleagues in terms of any another other sensitivities to consider with media outreach."

Thank you!

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On Tue, Jan 31, 2017 at 3:14 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:  
Dear (b)(6)

Thank you so much for your interest in the GVP! (b)(6) is currently in Bangkok, so I wanted to respond on his behalf. We had a chance to discuss on our last trip together and there is definitely interest in the types of opportunities that you mentioned.

We had hoped to touch base with you in person upon our arrival in Beijing, if possible the Sunday before the meeting starts (we are also available for meetings on Wednesday before our 6:25pm flights in case that is helpful for scheduling of any media coverage) and use that time to discuss more about the project. I assume, however, that we may need to make decisions about the type of coverage further in advance, though?



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We are, of course, very interested in finding ways to highlight the international aspects of the effort, especially with our Chinese colleagues ([redacted]) has been highly involved and a champion since the inception) and what you and [redacted] have proposed sounds very appealing.

In case it is helpful, we have had a few media/public articles which focus on or reference the GVP over the past several months, including these:

- 1) <http://www.nydailynews.com/opinion/lieberman-karesh-raising-biodefenses-article-1.2744779>
- 2) [https://www.statnews.com/2016/12/13/world-viruses-global-virome-project/?\\_hsenc=p2ANqtz-PA4z56\\_HqcgiRxo47S7npcTH1IGCK2NTqrC29mCKnOGtFiNWpwJyAeou7W1hLrCTr7XS4AVVWjKYvkDauLhnNKUxwQ&\\_hsmi=39175628](https://www.statnews.com/2016/12/13/world-viruses-global-virome-project/?_hsenc=p2ANqtz-PA4z56_HqcgiRxo47S7npcTH1IGCK2NTqrC29mCKnOGtFiNWpwJyAeou7W1hLrCTr7XS4AVVWjKYvkDauLhnNKUxwQ&_hsmi=39175628)
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Please let me know what additional information would be helpful to provide!

Best,

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On Tue, Jan 31, 2017 at 7:00 AM, [redacted] (Beijing) [redacted]@state.gov> wrote:

Dear [redacted],

Just wanted to follow up with you on potential interest in press/PD opportunities related to the GVP during your upcoming visit to Beijing. We'll be back in the office tomorrow, and I'd like to

follow up with (b)(6) and the Chinese side on a possible plan if there is interest. Please just let me know, and I'm happy to answer any questions you might have in the meantime.

Best,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

Assistant Information Officer  
US Embassy Beijing

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: (b)(6) (Beijing)

Sent: Saturday, January 28, 2017 4:29 PM

To: (b)(6)

Cc:

(b)(6) (b)(6) (Beijing)

Subject: Press/PD for GVP

Dear (b)(6),

Greetings from the Beijing embassy's press office. We're looking forward to your upcoming visit to Beijing and potentially promoting the GVP through social media and/or engagement with the local Chinese and Western press. We think this is a fascinating project and a good story of US-China cooperation on a very important issue.

I'm forwarding below a recent exchange I had with (b)(6) from Eco Healthcare about arranging press on the sidelines of the Feb 6-7 meeting -- to highlight GVP and areas where our countries are cooperating on this initiative. Is this something you would be interested in doing? Perhaps a joint interview or small press roundtable with (b)(6) during a convenient break at the meeting?

We're in the middle of China's largest holiday at the moment, but when everyone returns to work mid-next week, I'd like to discuss this further and identify the best press option/folks to work with on this, but we first wanted to make sure this is something you're interested in. The Chinese side initially did not plan to have press around the meeting given that funding is still being discussed, etc., but seem up for discussing this project with the press in general terms. I welcome your thoughts on this opportunity, what messages you would like to highlight, and we'll work to make this happen.

Beyond press engagement, I think this would also be a great initiative to promote on social media, again if there is interest. We could work with you and your team to prepare a social media posting with a great graphic or link to further info to help promote awareness among our Chinese audience of the great work you're doing, and what this might mean for them.

Our press office here at the embassy also has a somewhat nascent though popular video series called "What X Means to Me," in which we film short videos of visiting experts talking about subjects they're passionate about. We think you and the GVP would be a great fit for this program. We can shoot the video in about 15 minutes here at the embassy, or elsewhere if need be, we're very mobile. Here's a write-up on the program, and I've included links below to some popular, recent videos:

Each 90-second episode in this series features an individual sharing their personal perspective on a particular topic – the "X" to which the title refers. These topics are related to the individual, their area of expertise, and U.S. Mission to China priorities. For example, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito shared his personal insights on "Rule of Law," while NASA Administrator (and astronaut) Charlie Bolden talked about what "Space" means to him. This footage is combined with editorial photography and/or background video to create a short piece (approximately 90 seconds in length) which is captioned in the language in which the interview was conducted. Chinese subtitles are also added as needed. These videos are posted and promoted on the U.S. Embassy's Chinese social media platforms which have over 1 million Chinese followers. Filming takes approximately 15 minutes.

Here is the link to our video with NASA Administrator Bolden on "space":[http://v.youku.com/v\\_show/id\\_XMTc2NDg0MDMxMg==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2](http://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMTc2NDg0MDMxMg==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2)

Here is an episode with NIH's Dr. Ted Trimble on "cancer":[http://v.youku.com/v\\_show/id\\_XMTY3MTA3MzYwOA==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2](http://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMTY3MTA3MzYwOA==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2).

We look forward to working with you and your team on this visit. Please just let me know if you have any questions (a note that I'll be checking this account sporadically through the holiday, and returning full time when the embassy reopens on Wed, Feb 1),

Best,

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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Tue, 31 Jan 2017 20:18:00 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
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Emerging Threats Division, Office of Infectious Disease  
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Dear (b)(6)

Thank you so much for your interest in the GVP! (b)(6) is currently in Bangkok, so I wanted to respond on his behalf. We had a chance to discuss on our last trip together and there is definitely interest in the types of opportunities that you mentioned.

We had hoped to touch base with you in person upon our arrival in Beijing, if possible the Sunday before the meeting starts (we are also available for meetings on Wednesday before our 6:25pm flights in case that is helpful for scheduling of any media coverage) and use that time to discuss more about the project. I assume, however, that we may need to make decisions about the type of coverage further in advance, though?

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We are, of course, very interested in finding ways to highlight the international aspects of the effort, especially with our Chinese colleagues ((b)(6) has been highly involved and a champion since the inception) and what you and (b)(6) have proposed sounds very appealing.

In case it is helpful, we have had a few media/public articles which focus on or reference the GVP over the past several months, including these:

1) <http://www.nydailynews.com/opinion/lieberman-karesh-raising-biodefenses-article-1.2744779>

2) [https://www.statnews.com/2016/12/13/world-viruses-global-virome-project/?\\_hsenc=p2ANqtz-PA4z56\\_HqcgiRxo47S7npcTH1IGCK2NTqrC29mCKnOGtFiNWpwJyAeou7W1hLrCTr7XS4AVWVjKYvkDauLhnNKUxwQ&\\_hsmi=39175628](https://www.statnews.com/2016/12/13/world-viruses-global-virome-project/?_hsenc=p2ANqtz-PA4z56_HqcgiRxo47S7npcTH1IGCK2NTqrC29mCKnOGtFiNWpwJyAeou7W1hLrCTr7XS4AVWVjKYvkDauLhnNKUxwQ&_hsmi=39175628)

3) <http://www.worldaffairs.org/blog/765-guest-post-the-global-virome-project-the-beginning-of-the-end-of-the-pandemic-era>

Please let me know what additional information would be helpful to provide!

Best,

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Just wanted to follow up with you on potential interest in press/PD opportunities related to the GVP during your upcoming visit to Beijing. We'll be back in the office tomorrow, and I'd like to follow up with (b)(6) and the Chinese side on a possible plan if there is interest. Please just let me know, and I'm happy to answer any questions you might have in the meantime.

Best,

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(b)(6)

Assistant Information Officer  
US Embassy Beijing

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From (b)(6) (Beijing)

Sent: Saturday, January 28, 2017 4:29 PM

To: (b)(6)

Cc:



(b)(6) (b)(6) (Beijing)  
Subject: Press/PD for GVP

Dear (b)(6)

Greetings from the Beijing embassy's press office. We're looking forward to your upcoming visit to Beijing and potentially promoting the GVP through social media and/or engagement with the local Chinese and Western press. We think this is a fascinating project and a good story of US-China cooperation on a very important issue.

I'm forwarding below a recent exchange I had with (b)(6) from Eco Healthcare about arranging press on the sidelines of the Feb 6-7 meeting -- to highlight GVP and areas where our countries are cooperating on this initiative. Is this something you would be interested in doing? Perhaps a joint interview or small press roundtable with (b)(6) during a convenient break at the meeting?

We're in the middle of China's largest holiday at the moment, but when everyone returns to work mid-next week, I'd like to discuss this further and identify the best press option/folks to work with on this, but we first wanted to make sure this is something you're interested in. The Chinese side initially did not plan to have press around the meeting given that funding is still being discussed, etc., but seem up for discussing this project with the press in general terms. I welcome your thoughts on this opportunity, what messages you would like to highlight, and we'll work to make this happen.

Beyond press engagement, I think this would also be a great initiative to promote on social media, again if there is interest. We could work with you and your team to prepare a social media posting with a great graphic or link to further info to help promote awareness among our Chinese audience of the great work you're doing, and what this might mean for them.

Our press office here at the embassy also has a somewhat nascent though popular video series called "What X Means to Me," in which we film short videos of visiting experts talking about subjects they're passionate about. We think you and the GVP would be a great fit for this program. We can shoot the video in about 15 minutes here at the embassy, or elsewhere if need be, we're very mobile. Here's a write-up on the program, and I've included links below to some popular, recent videos:

Each 90-second episode in this series features an individual sharing their personal perspective on a particular topic – the "X" to which the title refers. These topics are related to the individual, their area of expertise, and U.S. Mission to China priorities. For example, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito shared his personal insights on "Rule of Law," while NASA Administrator

(and astronaut) Charlie Bolden talked about what “Space” means to him. This footage is combined with editorial photography and/or background video to create a short piece (approximately 90 seconds in length) which is captioned in the language in which the interview was conducted. Chinese subtitles are also added as needed. These videos are posted and promoted on the U.S. Embassy’s Chinese social media platforms which have over 1 million Chinese followers. Filming takes approximately 15 minutes.

Here is the link to the our video with NASA Administrator Bolden on “space”:[http://v.youku.com/v\\_show/id\\_XMTc2NDg0MDMxMg==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2](http://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMTc2NDg0MDMxMg==.html?spm=a2hzp.8253869.0.0&from=y1.7-2)

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We look forward to working with you and your team on this visit. Please just let me know if you have any questions (a note that I’ll be checking this account sporadically through the holiday, and returning full time when the embassy reopens on Wed, Feb 1),

Best,

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Assistant Information Officer  
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Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

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**Sent:** Wed, 1 Feb 2017 18:14:54 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** ? Fwd: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Not sure what that last part means - who should start the formal clearance process and how do you do that?

(b)(6)

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**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)  
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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:30 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov> wrote:

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Also, attached is the updated meeting agenda so you have it.

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:25 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov> wrote:  
And at this conference in Beijing there's no promise of future money, right?

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:20 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov> wrote:  
That's good to hear (well the "not a no" part, maybe not the clearances...).

So far, the only money we've put into the GVP has been directly into the PREDICT-2 project, so into UC Davis. It has all been for activities to ensure that the GVP moves forward, at a global level. So, coordination, etc and not into any specific country and definitely not into China (although, while I assume this doesn't matter, travel support to China has been provided to a select number of participants).

Hope that helps!

(b)(6)

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(b)(6)

Press Office  
U.S. Agency for International Development

Office: (b)(6)

Cell: (b)(6)

On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 9:04 AM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov> wrote:

Hi (b)(6)

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Best,

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to flag this for folks who are just returning and getting back to work after the holiday.

Our thinking is that (b)(6) could lead the interaction with journalists from the outlets I've listed below, which could last around 45 minutes, if schedules permit. Please let us know if you would be interested in pursuing this option, and if you have any concerns or questions beyond what has been flagged separately. Again, we don't want to get ahead of anything here, but do think there is a good story to share -- about the global nature of the initiative and, within that, roles the United States and China are playing to make this a reality.

Having reviewed the latest agenda for the meeting, I'm not inclined to suggest opening the meeting or any particular session to press coverage, but if you feel there is something here that the press might particularly benefit from sitting in on and which would not otherwise be impacted by their presence please just let us know. Otherwise, we would suggest keeping press involvement limited to the roundtable, or some version thereof, if both sides agree.

As you know, the proximity of the meeting to the Chinese holiday could impact the turnout, but we'll do our best to make this work if there is interest and agreement on the general message from both sides. One more question – ideally, we could conduct the roundtable in English, inviting English-speaking journalists. Does this sound doable, or would you suggest having an interpreter on hand?

If this is a go, is there a suitable, private space at the CNCC that would accommodate around 10 people at a table for this purpose?

Here are potential roundtable participants we're considering inviting (for a total of 6-8 journalists):

Chinese

China Business News

Guokr

People's Daily

Health Daily

Southern Metropolis

The Paper

Western

AP

Bloomberg

Wall Street Journal

Science Magazine

I look forward to hearing from you when possible. However, if there is interest, I think we should try to begin reaching out to journalists by Friday Beijing time at the very latest. Please just let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best.

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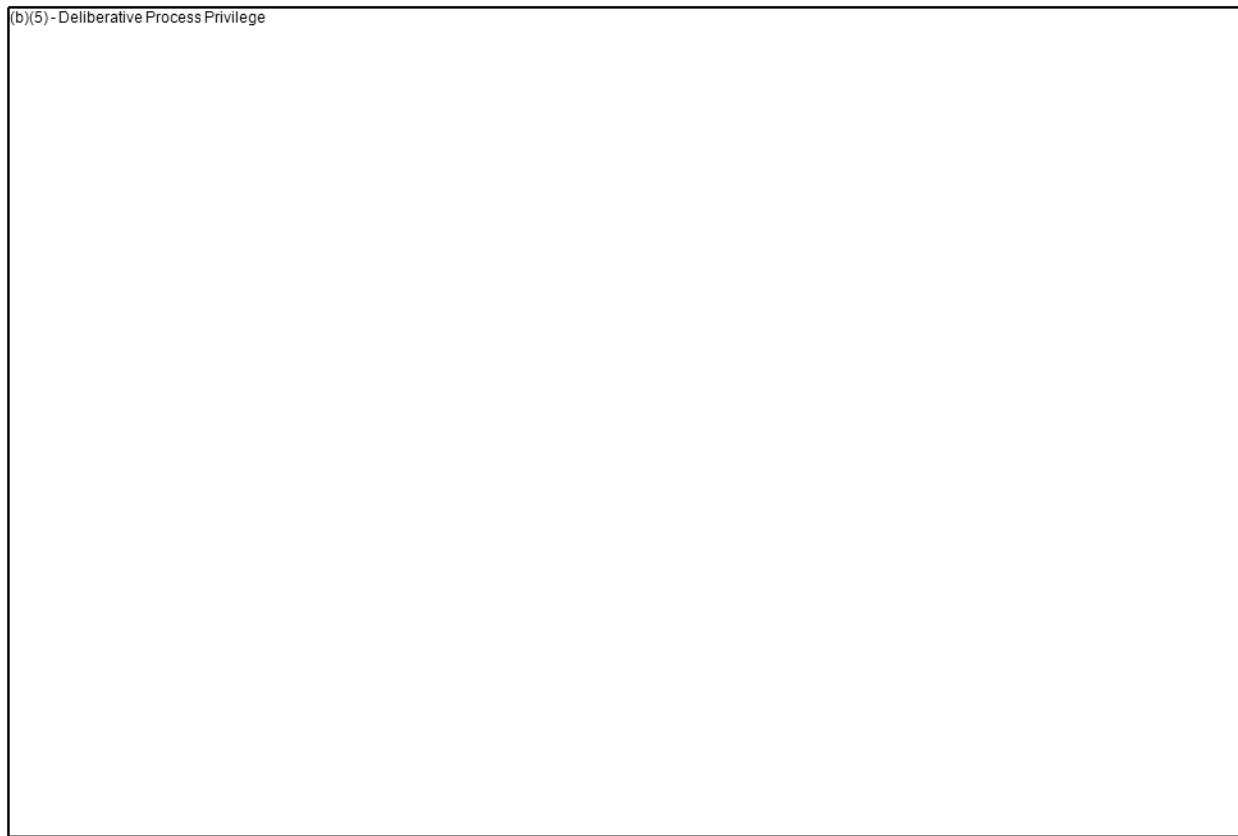
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**From:** (b)(6)  
**Sent:** Wed, 1 Feb 2017 22:04:42 +0000  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Hi (b)(6)

Can you guys clear the below paragraph so we can clear it here at USAID and then beyond?

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 1:18 PM (b)(6)@usaid.gov> wrote:  
Thanks (b)(6) --

Please let (b)(6) and me know if there is anything we should do on our end. Who is in charge of the clearance process and or what memos have to be developed?

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Emerging Threats Division, Office of Infectious Disease  
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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:59 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov> wrote:

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:30 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov> wrote:

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Also, attached is the updated meeting agenda so you have it.

(b)(6)

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:25 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov> wrote:

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:20 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:  
That's good to hear (well the "not a no" part, maybe not the clearances...).

So far, the only money we've put into the GVP has been directly into the PREDICT-2 project, so into UC Davis. It has all been for activities to ensure that the GVP moves forward, at a global level. So, coordination, etc and not into any specific country and definitely not into China (although, while I assume this doesn't matter, travel support to China has been provided to a select number of participants).

Hope that helps!

(b)(6)

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 12:12 PM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 9:12 AM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:  
Thank you for following up!



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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 9:11 AM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:  
I did see that. I'm not entirely sure that level of exposure is something LPA will be comfortable with, given the current comms environment. I'm checking with my leadership to see how far we can go.

(b)(6)

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On Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 9:04 AM, (b)(6)@usaid.gov wrote:  
Hi (b)(6)

Just keeping you in the loop with what our Beijing Embassy colleagues have proposed in terms of media for the GVP event. It sounds find on my end, but please let me know if either of you have any thoughts.

Best,

(b)(6)

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----- Forwarded message -----

From: (b)(6) (Beijing) (b)(6) @state.gov>

Date: Wed, Feb 1, 2017 at 3:50 AM

Subject: RE: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

To: (b)(6) @ecohealthalliance.org>

Cc: (b)(6) @state.gov>, (b)(6)

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(Beijing) (b)(6) @state.gov>, (b)(6)

(b)(6) @usaid.gov>

Dear (b)(6)

Happy Chinese New Year! To follow up, I had a chance to discuss potential press for the GVP meeting further with our team today, and I've floated the below idea with (b)(6) and his team. If both sides are amenable to this plan, we would like to suggest holding a limited joint press roundtable with 6-8 reps from the local Chinese and Western press on the sidelines of next week's meeting, preferably at a convenient time on Tuesday which would give us additional time to flag this for folks who are just returning and getting back to work after the holiday.

Our thinking is that (b)(6) could lead the interaction with journalists from the outlets I've listed below, which could last around 45 minutes, if schedules permit. Please let us know if you would be interested in pursuing this option, and if you have any concerns or questions beyond what has been flagged separately. Again, we don't want to get ahead of anything here, but do think there is a good story to share -- about the global nature of the initiative and, within that, roles the United States and China are playing to make this a reality.

Having reviewed the latest agenda for the meeting, I'm not inclined to suggest opening the meeting or any particular session to press coverage, but if you feel there is something here that the press might particularly benefit from sitting in on and which would not otherwise be impacted by their presence please just let us know. Otherwise, we would suggest keeping press involvement limited to the roundtable, or some version thereof, if both sides agree.

As you know, the proximity of the meeting to the Chinese holiday could impact the turnout, but we'll do our best to make this work if there is interest and agreement on the general message from both sides. One more question -- ideally, we could conduct the roundtable in English, inviting English-speaking journalists. Does this sound doable, or would you suggest having an interpreter on hand?

If this is a go, is there a suitable, private space at the CNCC that would accommodate around 10 people at a table for this purpose?

Here are potential roundtable participants we're considering inviting (for a total of 6-8 journalists):

Chinese

China Business News  
Guokr  
People's Daily  
Health Daily  
Southern Metropolis  
The Paper

Western

AP  
Bloomberg  
Wall Street Journal  
Science Magazine

I look forward to hearing from you when possible. However, if there is interest, I think we should try to begin reaching out to journalists by Friday Beijing time at the very latest. Please just let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best,

(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6)@ecohealthalliance.org]  
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2017 10:54 PM  
To: (b)(6) (Beijing)  
Cc: (b)(6) (b)(6)  
(Beijing); (b)(6)  
Subject: Re: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Dear (b)(6)

Nice to meet you online, too!

Thanks for your information. I briefly talked with (b)(6) of China CDC and also the China representative in the GVP effort) about this last night, both us think this would be an opportunity to built more research ties between China and the U.S.

And for your information, there will be two parts of GVP events in Beijing on Feb. 6-7:

\* The whole day of Feb. 6 and the morning of Feb. 7 will be the GVP Steering Committee

Meeting with scientists and policy-makers from across the world to “To forge a consensus on the next steps for the GVP to achieve the goals of building a world safe from emerging viral threats and to lay out a clear roadmap for the launch of the GVP that will provide the best possible outcomes for protecting global health”. There will be two representatives from China to participate.

\* In the afternoon of Feb. 7 after the GVP Steering Committee Meeting, there will be a China National Virome Project (CNVP) Initiative Meeting at the Chinese Academy of Sciences, to discuss about the strategies and plans to launch the project from China side. Many Chinese scientists and relevant agencies will attend the meeting, there will be a lot conversation going on around how China can contribute to the global GVP efforts with local sources and by expanding current international collaborations.

Please find more information from the attached draft Beijing agenda.

So as long as (b)(6) agrees on this, we are happy to work with you from China side to have some press coverage on these activities. We haven't invited any Chinese media, but can try to invite some after the Chinese New Year, or do you have any suggestions in terms of the Chinese media you usually work with? And there will be two photographers taking photos and videos for the GVP Steering Committee Meeting, which can be shared them to you if wanted.

Please feel free to contact me anytime if anything I can help. I will arrive in Beijing on Feb. 3, and look forward to meeting and working with you!

Happy Chinese New Year!!

(b)(6)

On Jan 26, 2017, at 2:02 AM, (b)(6) (Beijing)  
(b)(6)@state.gov<mail:(b)(6)@state.gov>> wrote:

Dear (b)(6),

It's a pleasure to meet you over email. We think the Global Virome Project is great story to share – not only as a powerful, innovative initiative, but also a great example of U.S.-China cooperation on such an important issue. We don't want to get ahead of ourselves and fully respect if partners do not wish to promote the upcoming meeting. However, if there is interest in press engagement, we would love to work with you on making this happen – either in terms of solo or joint engagements with the U.S. and Chinese side, and with the Chinese and/or Western press – on the sidelines of the meeting. I welcome your suggestions, and look forward to working with you.

Best,

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

Assistant Information Officer  
US Embassy Beijing

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From: (b)(6)  
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2017 9:54 AM  
To: (b)(6); (b)(6) (Beijing)  
Cc: (b)(6)  
Subject: FW: PREDICT International Travel Request (Group ITA request for GVP Beijing meeting)

Dear (b)(6),

Nice talking with you on the phone. We fully understand the Chinese organizers don't want to have any publicity of the China National Virome Program, but both you and our side recognize that the Beijing meeting is an opportunity to promote GVP, and the publicity of GVP Beijing meeting could potentially help promote GVP among Chinese stakeholders, as well as US-China cooperation.

So we'd like to connect you with (b)(6) of US Embassy in Beijing. Mr. (b)(6) and his assistant will further discuss with you the possible advocacy of this event (without covering the afternoon of 7th).

Hi, (b)(6)

(b)(6) of Eco-Health Alliance, based in the US. She is coordinating the GVP Beijing meeting, working closely with China CDC and USAID.

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