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July 4, 2019

Sent via Email (No Original to Follow): Councillor_Thompson@toronto.ca

Michael Thompson
Councillor, Ward 21
Toronto City Hall, Suite B31
100 Queen St. W.
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2

Dear Councillor Thompson:

Re: Sponsored Travel provided by the International Forum of the Americas for Your Trip to Montreal, Quebec; June 9 and 10, 2019

Thank you for providing me with a Travel Declaration Form for the above-noted trip. I confirm that the travel related benefits you have disclosed are in compliance with section (f) of Article IV (Gifts and Benefits) of the *Code of Conduct for Member of Council* as travel was sponsored by the International Forum of the Americas and you attended in your official capacity as Chair of the Economic and Community Development Committee.

I form this view based on my review of:

1. the Travel Declaration Form dated June 18, 2019;
2. a May 8, 2019 email from Joseph F. Clark (President, Toronto Global Forum) inviting you to attend the Montreal Conference;
3. the conference agenda;
4. a May 22, 2019 Air Canada flight confirmation;
5. a June 18, 2019 email from Jonathan Miranda (Director of Logistics, The IEFA) outlining your accommodation costs; and,
6. a search of the lobbyist registry confirming that the travel sponsor, The IEFA, is not a registered lobbyist or a client of a registered lobbyist.

This letter, the Travel Declaration Form, and attached supporting material will be posted on the Integrity Commissioner's website, toronto.ca/integrity, in accordance with the *Code of Conduct for Members of Council*.

If you have any questions about the disclosure of gifts and benefits, please do not hesitate to contact this Office.

Yours truly,



Valerie Jepson
Integrity Commissioner

Enclosures (5): Travel Declaration Form for Montreal, Quebec (2 pages)
 Email Invitation (1 page)
 Montreal Conference Agenda (8 pages)
 Air Canada Booking Confirmation (4 pages)
 Email Exchange Outlining Cost of Hotel Accommodation (2 pages)

c.c.: Lesley Ruscica, Manager, Council & Support Services
 Kelly McCarthy, Deputy City Clerk, Strategic Integration and Excellence
 Ulli Watkiss, City Clerk

This form is used in the declaration of travel costs provided by a third party for Council Members in the performance of their duties if the value exceeds \$300, or if total value received from any one source during a calendar year exceeds \$300.

INFORMATION TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNCIL MEMBER

Council Member:	Councillor Michael Thompson
Purpose of Trip:	Conference of Montreal
Travel Destination:	Montreal, Quebec
Travel Dates:	06/09/2019 to 06/10/2019
Additional Information:	Councillor Thompson attended the forum in his capacity as Chair of the Economic and Community Development Committee.
Travel Expenses Covered by Third Party (please complete all that apply)	
Sponsor of Travel:	Name: International Forum of the Americas Type of Sponsor (check all that apply): <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Other organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conference Organizer
Registration Fees:	\$
Travel:	\$ 465.30
Accommodation:	\$ 327.25
Ground Transportation:	\$
Per Diem/Sundry Expenses:	\$
TOTAL:	\$ 792.55
Expenses Paid from Council Business Travel Budget	\$
Expenses Paid from Constituency Services & Office Budget or the annual operating budget for the Office of the Mayor	\$ 389.44
Expenses paid from other City of Toronto sources	\$ Source:

Please attach all pertinent information to this form including invitation letter from event organizer, copies of receipts, etc.)

Signed by Council Member:

Date:

June 18/19

The personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the City of Toronto Act, 2006, ss. 157 and 159, and By-Laws 1076-2006, 154-2007 and 861-2008. The information is used to ensure compliance with the Code of Conduct for Members of Council and will be made public. The information will be provided to the Office of the City Clerk to report the donation as a Gift and Benefit. Questions about this collection can be directed to the Integrity Commissioner, 375 University Avenue, Suite 202, Toronto ON M5G 2J5, at 416-392-3826, or at integrity@toronto.ca.

Important Information

This form will be publicly disclosed in accordance with Article IV of the Code of Conduct for Members of Council.

The Code of Conduct for Members of Council, Part IV, Gifts and Benefits, states that no Member shall accept a fee, advance, gift or personal benefit that is connected directly or indirectly with the performance of his or her duties of office, unless permitted by the exceptions listed. The following is listed as an exception:

- (f) food, lodging, transportation and entertainment provided by provincial, regional and local governments or political subdivisions of them, by the Federal government or by a foreign government within a foreign country, or by a conference, seminar or event organizer where the Member is either speaking or attending in an official capacity;

This form will serve as a disclosure statement required by the Code.

Upon receiving the Travel Declaration from the Council Member, the Integrity Commissioner shall review the form to determine whether the gift is permissible. In the event that the Integrity Commissioner makes that preliminary determination, he or she shall call upon the Member for clarification. Should the Integrity Commissioner determine that the gift was not permitted, he or she may direct the Member to reimburse the sponsor for the value.

Questions can be addressed to:

Integrity Commissioner
416-392-3826
integrity@toronto.ca

Completed and signed form should be submitted to:

The Office of the Integrity Commissioner
375 University Avenue, Suite 202
Toronto, Ontario M5G 2J5

Authority & Guidelines

Part IV of the Code of Conduct for Members of Council. Available at www.toronto.ca/integrity.

Debbie Gedz

From: Joe Clark [REDACTED] >
Sent: May 8, 2019 4:14 PM
To: Councillor Thompson
Cc: Debbie Gedz
Subject: Invitation to Attend Montreal Conference June 10-14
Attachments: CDM2019 - Confirmed speakers.pdf; CDM2019 - Preliminary Program - External.pdf

Dear Councillor Thompson

It is my pleasure to invite you to attend the Montreal Conference June 10-14 at the Bonaventure Hotel. The Conference and the IEFA are celebrating their 25th anniversary this year so the event promises to be very special with many global leaders attending. The list of confirmed speakers and Preliminary Program of the event are attached.

As part of our mandate to help promote economic development for the City of Toronto, I am pleased to invite you to attend the Conference as our guest. Your presence in Montreal would be most helpful in raising the profile and awareness of Toronto. The Montreal Conference offers excellent opportunities for you to network with global business and government leaders. We will facilitate introductions and set up personal meetings with these global leaders at your direction.

As our guest, we will arrange return economy airfare from Toronto to Montreal. We will also arrange for hotel accommodation during your attendance. Ground transportation will be provided to and from the airport in Montreal. Lunches are included at the Forum. You will also be invited to attend private Conference events.

Councillor, I hope you will be able to see the many benefits for the City of Toronto in attending the Conference. Please let me know if you can attend and, if so, the dates you are available.

Thank you.

Joseph F. Clark
President
Toronto Global Forum
Phone: [REDACTED]
Cell: [REDACTED]
www.forum-americas.org/toronto

PRESENTED BY L'AUTORITÉ DES MARCHÉS FINANCIERS (AMF)

7:00 AM

REGISTRATION

7:30 AM

WORKING BREAKFAST

In collaboration with Canada-UAE Business Council

8:30 AM

OPENING OF THE 25th EDITION OF THE CONFERENCE OF MONTREAL

9:00 AM

INAUGURAL PLENARY SESSION

A Global Economy in Profound Transition*In collaboration with the Autorité des marchés financiers (AMF)*

We are observing growing concern from economists and investors that global economic growth has hit its peak and that we are now entering a phase of slower growth. In what ways should we be either confident or worried about growth prospects for developing and emerging economies? How do we continue to garner economic benefits recently gained by combatting growing inequality, while maintaining control of deficits? What must we do to prepare for negative political consequences that will come with the next recession in terms of populism and geopolitical rivalry?

10:30 AM

FORUM 1 simultaneously

Cryptocurrency: Mirage or Technological Revolution?*In collaboration with l'Autorité des marchés financiers (AMF)*

FORUM 2 simultaneously

Innovation, Productivity and Work : The Core Elements of Corporate Competitiveness*In collaboration with EY*

FORUM 3 simultaneously

Regulation, Integration, Inclusiveness: Current Challenges in Fintech

FORUM 4 simultaneously

Leaders in Diversity: Companies as Drivers of Integration and Inclusion*In collaboration with the Ministère de l'Immigration, de la Diversité et de l'Inclusion Québec (MIDI)*

FORUM 5 simultaneously

Ethics of Artificial Intelligence: What role for the public, private and civil society sectors?*In collaboration with the Ministère de l'Économie et de l'Innovation du Québec*

FORUM 6 simultaneously

How to invest and settle in new emerging markets?*In collaboration with Investissement Québec (IQ)*

12:00 PM

OPENING LUNCHEON**Leading Change***In collaboration with the Government of Québec*

2:30 PM

FIRESIDE CHAT**How is Corporate Culture Driving Investment Success?**

3:00 PM

PLENARY SESSION**The Global Economy in the Era of a New Capitalism**

In an era where social inequality continues to grow and people are expressing growing doubts about the benefits of globalization, it has become urgent to rethink the nature and goals of capitalism. How can we tangibly build in ESG indicators (environmental, social and governance) at the heart of capitalism? What role should the private sector play in activities that have traditionally been delivered publicly, such as education, healthcare and transportation? How do we create more inclusive work environments?

SEMINAR**Europe After the Elections: Economic and Political Perspectives**

4:30 PM

FIRESIDE CHAT**How can the Investment Industry Influence the Future of Business?**

5:00 PM

ROUNDTABLE 1 simultaneously**Challenges of the Savings Market: Trends and Solutions***In collaboration with HEC Montréal and the International Institute of Economic Diplomacy***ROUNDTABLE 2 simultaneously****How can Local Businesses Shine Internationally?***In collaboration with the Ministère des Relations internationales et de la Francophonie du Québec and the Ministère de l'Économie et de l'Innovation du Québec***ROUNDTABLE 3 simultaneously****Cybersecurity: The Great Threat to Financial Stability***In collaboration with Opportunities New Brunswick***ROUNDTABLE 4 simultaneously****Competitiveness 4.0: Using Artificial Intelligence as a Corporate Strategy***In collaboration with the Centre interuniversitaire de recherche en analyse des organisations (CIRANO)*

7:00 AM

REGISTRATION

7:30 AM

WORKING BREAKFAST 1 simultaneously

Innovating in Agribusiness: The Consumer Mantra
In collaboration with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

WORKING BREAKFAST 2 simultaneously

Economic Youth and Innovation
In collaboration with RDÉE Canada

WORKING BREAKFAST 3 simultaneously

Digital Revolution and Retail Industry: Challenges and Business Opportunities for Companies and the Community
In collaboration with the Ministère de l'Économie et de l'Innovation du Québec

8:30 AM

FIRESIDE CHAT

The Future of International Trade

9:00 AM

PLENARY SESSION

Feeding the Planet while Preserving it
In collaboration with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC)

10:00 AM

FIRESIDE CHAT

The Future of International Trade

PRIVATE ROUND TABLE

Business for Inclusive Growth: How to Join the G7 Coalition and Drive Impact
In collaboration with the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

By invitation only

10:30 AM

FORUM 1 simultaneously

Africa 2063: Vision, Perspectives and Opportunities for an Emerging Continent
In collaboration with the Ministère des Relations internationales et de la Francophonie Québec (MRIF)

FORUM 2 simultaneously

Planting the Seeds of Success
In collaboration with La Coop Fédérée

FORUM 3 simultaneously

The Circular Economy: At the Heart of a New Way of Doing Business
In collaboration with Polytechnique Montréal

FORUM 4 simultaneously

The Future of Memory: Artificial Intelligence and Culture
In collaboration with Bibliothèque et Archives nationales du Québec (BANQ)

FORUM 5 simultaneously

Emerging Markets and the Global Economy: How to Save Globalization?
In collaboration with Global Affairs Canada

FORUM 6 simultaneously

Artificial Intelligence: The Revolution Comes to Healthcare
In collaboration with Health Canada

12:00 PM

LUNCHEON

Diversity as the Key to Embracing Change

2:30 PM

FIRESIDE CHAT

The US Economy

3:00 PM

PLENARY SESSION

Innovation and Artificial Intelligence at Society's Service
In collaboration with the Fonds de recherche du Québec (FRQ)

Artificial intelligence is at the centre of a new technological revolution, with its implications, potential, and social and economic risks largely unknown. What rules must we create to manage the limitless amount of data circulating globally? How can artificial intelligence be made an effective tool to improve education and health? As it becomes more necessary than ever, what concrete steps must be taken and which investments must we put into place in order to improve our data-centric culture?

4:30 PM

FIRESIDE CHAT

Towards a More Inclusive Economy

5:00 PM

ROUNDTABLE 1 simultaneously

The Future of Aviation
In collaboration with Concordia University

ROUNDTABLE 2 simultaneously

The Responsible Development of Artificial Intelligence
In collaboration with the Université Laval

TUESDAY, JUNE 11

AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND INNOVATION

6:00 PM

RECEPTION

7:00 AM

REGISTRATION

7:30 AM

WORKING BREAKFAST 1 simultaneously**Future Developments in International Civil Aviation***In collaboration with the City of Montréal***WORKING BREAKFAST 2 simultaneously****Open Banking and Fintech: Challenges and Opportunities of Democratizing Finance***In collaboration with the Regroupement des jeunes chambres de commerce du Québec (RJCCQ)***WORKING BREAKFAST 3 simultaneously****Energy Transition: Local and Regional Initiatives***In collaboration with the Ministère de l'Énergie et des Ressources naturelles du Québec*

8:30 AM

FIRESIDE CHAT

9:00 AM

PLENARY SESSION**Towards a New Energy Future**

Under pressure from climate change and growing global demand, the world is transitioning towards increased production of renewable energy. What is the right balance we must strike between fossil fuels and renewable energy in order to avoid shortages and price spikes, and what role do transitional sources of energy, like natural gas and nuclear, have to play in this transition? What investment strategies should be put in place to promote energy efficiency? How will renewable energy usage liberate economic growth potential for emerging markets?

SPECIAL ADDRESS**Arctic Fragility and Inuit Resilience***In collaboration with the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (CDPQ)*

10:00 AM

FIRESIDE CHAT

10:30 AM

FORUM 1 simultaneously**Sustainable Urban Mobility***In collaboration with the City of Montréal***FORUM 2 simultaneously****Fighting Climate Change Effectively***In collaboration with the International Development Research Centre (IDRC)***FORUM 3 simultaneously****Circular and Inclusive Economy: The African Opening***In collaboration with OCP Group*

FORUM 4 simultaneously

Rethinking University Education: New Scales and Economic Needs

In collaboration with the Agence universitaire de la Francophonie (AUF)

FORUM 5 simultaneously

Pushing the Limits of Science to the Benefit of Sustainable Development

In collaboration with McGill University

12:00 PM

LUNCHEON

Presented by Hydro-Québec

2:15 PM

PLENARY SESSION

Sustainable Investing for the Future of our Planet

In collaboration with the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (CDPQ)

Considerable progress has been made to encourage investment in the renewable energy sector. How do investment opportunities for the sector compare to those we find in more traditional energy sources? What will the principal drivers be for the next phase of development? How can markets support this development ?

3:00 PM

FIRESIDE CHAT

What Role for Governments in Mitigating Climate Change?

In collaboration with the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec

4:15 PM

CLOSING OF THE 25TH EDITION OF THE CONFERENCE OF MONTREAL

5:00 PM

25th ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION

Hosted by the Young Leaders Circle of The International Economic Forum of The Americas (IEFA)

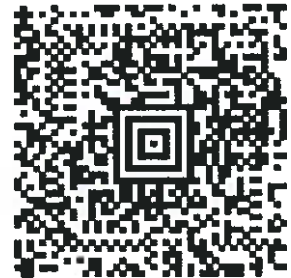
THURSDAY, JUNE 13

Debbie Gedz

From: Air Canada <confirmation@aircanada.ca>
Sent: May 22, 2019 10:14 AM
To: Debbie Gedz
Subject: Air Canada - 09 Jun: Toronto - Montréal (Booking Reference: [REDACTED])
Attachments: Air_Canada_Booking_Confirmation_[REDACTED].pdf



Booking Confirmation



Booking Reference: [REDACTED]

Date of issue: 22 May, 2019



Select Seats



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Thank you for choosing Air Canada. Below are your flight details and other useful information for your trip.

IMPORTANT: Your official Itinerary/Receipt is attached to this email. You must bring it with you to the airport for check-in and we recommend you keep a copy for your records. Please also take the time to review it as it contains the **general conditions of carriage and applicable tariffs** that apply to the tickets, bookings and air services detailed below, as well as baggage, dangerous goods and other important information related to your trip.

Passengers



**Michael Thomas
Thompson**

Seats

AC7968 7D

AC7977 7C

Ticket Number:

[REDACTED]



Depart

Economy - Standard

Sunday
09 Jun, 2019

15:15

Toronto

Toronto Island (YTZ),
Ontario



16:25

Montréal

Montréal-Trudeau Int. (YUL),
Quebec



AC7968

1hr10

Economy T

Operated by: Air Canada Express - Jazz | Q400

Return

Economy - Standard

Monday
10 Jun, 2019

19:30

Montréal

Montréal-Trudeau Int. (YUL),
Quebec



20:40

Toronto

Toronto Island (YTZ),
Ontario



AC7977

1hr10

Economy T

Operated by: Air Canada Express - Jazz | Q400

Purchase summary

American Express

Amount paid: \$465.30

Full details can be found in
your attached Itinerary/Receipt

Tax information

QST no. 1000043172 TQ1991
\$2.99

GST no. 10009-2287 RT0001
\$1.50

GST/HST no. 10009-2287
RT0001 \$49.56



Air Transportation Charges

1 adult

330.00



Seat selection

22.00



Taxes, fees and charges

113.30

GRAND TOTAL (Canadian dollars)

\$465³⁰

Baggage allowance

Carry-on Baggage

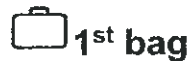
On flights operated by Air Canada, Air Canada Rouge or Air Canada Express, you may carry with you in the cabin 1 standard item (max. size: 23 x 40 x 55 cm [9 x 15.5 x 21.5 in]) and 1 personal item (max.

size: 16 x 33 x 43 cm [6 x 13 x 17 in]). Your carry-on baggage must be light enough that you can store it in the overhead bin unassisted. [See our complete carry-on baggage policy.](#)

Checked Baggage

Please see below for details on the bags you plan on checking at the baggage counter.

Toronto (YTZ) > Montréal (YUL)



\$ 33.90 CAD
Including taxes



\$ 56.50 CAD
Including taxes

Max. weight per bag:
23.0 kg (50.0 lb)

Max. dimensions per bag:
158.0 cm (62.0 in)

Montréal (YUL) > Toronto (YTZ)



\$ 33.90 CAD
Including taxes



\$ 56.50 CAD
Including taxes

Max. weight per bag:
23.0 kg (50.0 lb)

Max. dimensions per bag:
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* For travel within Canada or between Canada and the United States, a Canadian tax of \$3.00 CAD may apply to baggage fees. For travel between Canada or the United States and Mexico, the Dominican Republic and Barbados, an applicable local sales tax of \$4.00 CAD may apply to baggage fees. For all other itineraries to/from Mexico, the Dominican Republic and Barbados as well as itineraries to/from South America, an applicable local sales tax of \$21.00 CAD may apply to baggage fees. All above tax amounts are based on the maximum applicable tax amounts per itinerary type. Actual amounts may vary and will be charged in the currency used in your departure airport. Tax amounts are subject to change without notice by local government.

Currency

Fee amounts are displayed in the currency of the first departure city on your ticket. On the day of travel, applicable fees will be assessed in the local currency of the country/region you are travelling from. Certain exceptions may apply where the departure airport does not charge in local currency. The currency exchange rate will be determined by the date of travel.

Stopovers

Checked baggage fees may be reassessed when itineraries include an enroute stopover of more than 24 hours.

Note: If you **exceed your baggage allowance** (in number, size and/or weight), additional checked baggage charges will apply. The policy and fees will be those of the carrier identified in the checked baggage information section.

- View [Air Canada's additional checked baggage policy.](#)
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Air Canada, P.O. Box 64239, RPO Thomcliffe, Calgary Alberta, T2K 6J7

Debbie Gedz

From: Jonathan R. Miranda <[REDACTED]>
Sent: June 18, 2019 9:07 AM
To: Debbie Gedz
Subject: RE: CDM 2019 - Hotel/Transportation Confirmation - THOMPSON, Michael

Hi Debbie,

Here was the cost:

\$	275,00	\$	275,00
		\$	275,00
Hébergement 3.5%	\$		9,63
GST 5%	\$		14,23
PST 9.975%	\$		28,39
TOTAL	\$		327,25

Best,

Jonathan

From: Debbie Gedz <Debbie.Gedz@toronto.ca>
Sent: June 13, 2019 8:12 AM
To: Jonathan R. Miranda <[REDACTED]>
Subject: RE: CDM 2019 - Hotel/Transportation Confirmation - THOMPSON, Michael

Good morning, Jonathan:

Can you please provide me with the cost of the hotel so that I can complete my form to the Integrity Commissioner.

Thank you,

Debbie

Debbie Gedz
Supervisor, Office Administration
Deputy Mayor Michael Thompson
Councillor, Scarborough Centre
Ward 21
416-397-9274

Twitter: @Thompson_37
Instagram: councillor_thompson

From: Jonathan R. Miranda [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: May 24, 2019 11:41 AM
To: Debbie Gedz <Debbie.Gedz@toronto.ca>

Subject: CDM 2019 - Hotel/Transportation Confirmation - THOMPSON, Michael

Importance: High

Dear Debbie,

Please allow me to send you a few confirmations regarding the visit to the Conference of Montreal.

Ground Transportation

- Upon arrival to Montreal
 - Ground transportation is confirmed as per the itinerary previously sent to me
 - Our liaison officer, who will be waiting at our kiosk, just after baggage claims, will arrange transportation to the hotel.
- Upon departure from Montreal
 - Ground transportation is confirmed as per the itinerary previously sent to me
 - A note will be slipped under the guest's door, the day prior to departure, with indications regarding when and where transportation will occur from the hotel.

Hotel – The Bonaventure Hotel

- The reservation has been confirmed. Confirmation #: [REDACTED]
- Check in: **Sunday, June 9**
- Check out: **Monday, June 10**

Should any of the above information be inaccurate, please reach me as soon as possible.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Best wishes,

Jonathan

Jonathan R. Miranda

Director of Logistics

International Economic Forum of the Americas

Office: [REDACTED] Toll Free (US/CAN): [REDACTED]

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