



19 May 2011

Dear Delegate

PSC STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 22 - 24 JUNE 2011 - WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

As you know, the next meeting of the PSC Steering Committee in Wellington is fast approaching. Thank you to those of you who have either registered your attendance or sent your apologies.

Many of the meeting arrangements have been finalised, and the PSC Secretariat has recently sent you a draft agenda for the meeting (covering 22 – 23 June 2011). I expect that, between now and the date of the meeting, papers will be distributed for delegates to consider.

I'm sure that you may also be interested to know what we have planned for the social programme on 24 June. I attach a copy of the social programme for your information.

What we have planned is:

- a guided tour of an outdoors wildlife sanctuary where you will hopefully get to see many native plants and animals (e.g. birds) of New Zealand;
- a lunch at the Office of the Auditor-General;
- a brief tour of Te Papa (our National Museum).

As you know, the month of June in New Zealand is in our winter and although we don't experience the extreme cold temperatures that some countries do, it can still get a bit cold if the weather is not nice (it is normal in June to have temperature highs of between 5° and 10°C). Can I therefore suggest that you pack a warm coat/scarf and some good walking shoes.

Wellington has a reputation for being the "windy city" so don't be surprised if it's a bit windy when you arrive. I'm hoping the weather will be kind to us, but it's too far out to predict at this stage.

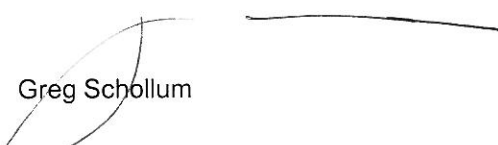
When you arrive, I suggest you take a taxi to the Copthorne Hotel. The preferred taxi companies are either "Wellington Combined" or "Corporate Cabs". The cost of a taxi fare from the airport to the Hotel should be no more than NZ\$25.

A reminder that the PSC Chair is hosting a cocktail function at the Copthorne Hotel (7.30pm – 9.30pm 21 June 2011). Note the start time has changed from the time which was earlier advised of 7pm.

The Auditor-General is also hosting a dinner on 22 June 2011, details of which will be provided to delegates at the meeting.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to Wellington.

Kind regards


Greg Schollum

**PSC Steering Committee
Social programme – 24 June 2011**

Time	Venue
9.30am	Pick up from Copthorne Hotel, Oriental Bay
10.00am	Morning tea at Karori Sanctuary
10.30am – 12.30pm	Guided Tour of Sanctuary
12.30pm	Depart Karori Sanctuary and head to the Office of the Auditor-General (OAG)
1.00pm – 2.00pm	Lunch at OAG
2.00pm	Depart OAG and head to Te Papa
2.15pm	Tour of Te Papa
3.15pm	Afternoon tea at Te Papa
3.45pm	Depart Te Papa and return to Copthorne Hotel