

Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture – Meetings in Washington DC and NYC.

Meeting with Congressman Brendan Boyle

Attendees

Cabinet Secretary for Constitution External Affairs and Culture
Private Secretary, Scottish Government
Head of Office, Scottish Government USA
Head of International Division, Scottish Government
Congressman Brendan Boyle (Democrat – Pennsylvania)
Legislative Assistant

Agenda

- Introductions to the Cab Sec in his new role, first visit to the US in this capacity.
- Discussion of Scotland's reaction to the Russian/ Ukraine crisis
- Discussion of role of Friends of Scotland caucus and how this can be energised

Actions points

- Greater engagement between offices to support the re-engagement of the caucus post-pandemic.
- Further discussion with Scottish Government US Office on potential education/ information sharing sessions with the caucus.

Meeting with Congressman Robert Aderholt

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Congressman Aderholt (Republican – Alabama)
Deputy Chief of Staff

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Meeting with Congressman Steve Cohen

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Congressman Steve Cohen (Democrat – Tennessee)
Chief of Staff
Legislative Assistant

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- Rep. Cohen to raise possibility of twinning US/ Ukrainian cities with Mayor of Memphis.

Meeting with Deputy Assistant Secretary – Douglas Jones

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Private Secretary, Scottish Government
Head of Office, Scottish Government USA
Head of International Division, Scottish Government
Douglas Jones, Deputy Assistant Secretary
Desk Officer – UK and Ireland Desk, State Department
Deputy Head of Political Section, British Embassy, Washington (part of meeting)

Agenda

- Russia/ Ukraine and the refugee crisis.
- Scotland's relationship with Europe, impact of EU Exit
- Scotland's energy successes/ lessons learned
- Scotland's relationship with the USA

Action Points

- SAO and State Desk Office / SG and US CG in Edinburgh to continue regular discussions.

Meeting with SAS

Attendees

Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture
Shaun Barry, Global Director - Fraud & Security Intelligence at SAS
Lawrie Elder, Global Director of Law Enforcement and National Security
Private Secretary, Scottish Government
Head of Office, Scottish Government USA
SDI Representative

Agenda

- Introductions
- Discussion of SAS' Scottish operations
- Identification of any current support needs/ growth opportunities
- Discussion of Scottish talent/ skills system

Action points

- Introductions to be made to Skills Development Scotland (SDI)
- Introductions to be made to Entrepreneurial Scotland (SDI)
- Cabinet Secretary to be invited to visit the Glasgow site.
- SAS to provide information on potential Scotland visit by NJ Attorney General .

Meeting with Honeywell

Attendees

Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture
Jim Carroll, Senior Vice President, Global Government Relations
Amy Chiang, Vice President, Global Government Relations
Armando Avila, Sr. Director, Global Government Relations
Private Secretary, Scottish Government
Head of Office, Scottish Government USA
SDI Representative

Agenda

- Introduction and tour
- Discussion of Honeywell's Scottish operations.
- Discussion of Honeywell's hydrogen business.
- Discussion of Scotland's hydrogen plans and support / growth opportunities.
- Discussion of Scottish talent/ skills system.

Action points

- Introductions to be made to Skills Development Scotland (SDI)
- Introductions to be made to Entrepreneurial Scotland (SDI)
- Honeywell to confirm when senior leadership may be available for tour of Scotland's hydrogen assets (likely 2023)

Meeting with Innovid

Attendees

Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture
Zvika Netter, CEO, Innovid
Jo Kinsella, President, TVSquared by Innovid
Private Secretary, Scottish Government
Head of International Division, Scottish Government
Head of Office, Scottish Government USA
SDI Representative

Agenda

- Introductions.
- Discussion of Innovid's newly-acquired Scottish operations and growth potential.
- Identification of any current support needs/ growth opportunities.
- Discussion of Scottish talent/ skills system.

Actions

- Introductions to be made to Skills Development Scotland (SDI)
- Introductions to be made to Entrepreneurial Scotland (SDI)
- Introductions to be made to the Data Lab (SDI)
- Innovid to make introduction between SDI and their HR Lead
- Innovid to flag to the Cabinet Secretary when next in Edinburgh to host visit to their TVSquared business.

Meeting with Rockstar Games

Attendees

Cabinet Secretary for Constitution, External Affairs and Culture
Mr Rowan Hajaj Head of Finance & Corporate Development
Private Secretary, Scottish Government
Head of Office, Scottish Government USA
Head of International Division, Scottish Government
SDI Representative

Agenda

- Introductions.
- Discussion of Rockstar's Scottish operations and planned growth.
- Identification of any current support needs/ growth opportunities.
- Discussion of Scottish talent/ skills system.

Action Points

- Introductions to be made to Entrepreneurial Scotland (SDI)
- Rockstar to confirm offer of AR visit to their expending base in Edinburgh