

- (a) DFAIT and IC will provide for timely and full participation by MEDT in the development of the ITBP, which will reflect, as fully as possible, provincial priorities in international business development activities;
 - (b) IC, in concert with other partners including the Province, will provide sectoral frameworks and strategies and DFAIT will provide the international framework within which such needs can be assessed and addressed;
 - (c) MEDT will support, participate in and provide timely input into the ITBP development and review process, including sectoral strategies and provincial priorities in international business development activities;
 - (d) MEDT, DFAIT and IC will exchange sector strategies and initial listings of proposed activities related to the ITBP early in the planning process. Updated activity lists will be exchanged each quarter;
 - (e) copies of the ITBP will be made available to the Ontario business community early in the first quarter of the year;
 - (f) MEDT, DFAIT and IC will coordinate planning for and participation in missions and fairs involving Ontario firms, and incoming buyers and delegations into Ontario.
5. Recognizing the importance of investment and the development and acquisition of technology to international business development efforts, MEDT, DFAIT, and IC will examine ways of reflecting these activities more fully in the ITBP.

INFORMATION SHARING

- 6. IC, DFAIT and MEDT recognize greater information sharing as a priority and agree to share business and market information and intelligence on a timely basis and to collaborate in collecting such information.
- 7. IC, DFAIT and MEDT will work towards greater information sharing in the following manner: