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To: Committee, Economics & Industry Standing; Mubarakai, Yaz; Sarvesh Mali **Subject:** Urgent request to have a forum to speak with Indian Diaspora in WA about

participation in this enquiry

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Hi Yaz,

It's with regard to improving economic ties between Western Australia and India. In my view, we can improve the following areas where both countries will be benefitted:

- 1) There should be direct flights between the main Indian cities like New Delhi, Mumbai, Ahmedabad and Bangalore and WA (Perth). Direct flights will encourage more tourisms between two countries which will, in turn, improve economy and better relation between the two countries.
- 2) WA should not solely be dependent on China for buying day to day items. India is also a fast-growing economy which can be utilized to buy many things. As we all know India is very strong in IT area, that area can be properly utilised to improve WA's cybersecurity.
- 3) A high-level committee in WA should be formed to find out/explore the areas where economic ties can be had in future.

Let me appreciate this step to find out the areas of economic interest between WA and India what you guys have initiated. I have never seen this kind of initiative before.

Keep it up!

Kind regards, Sanjeev Saran