

From: Priester, Nicole <NicolePriester@gov.sc.gov>
Required: Veldran, Katherine <KatherineVeldran@gov.sc.gov>
Subject: Meeting with Mr. Ajit Kumar, Consul General (India)
Location: Mansion
When: 8/19/2014 1:45:00 PM - 2:15:00 PM
Attachments: ATT99975

Consul General, Mr. Ajit Kumar's Visit (*Arrival: 11:24 AM Departure: 6:18 PM*)

EVENT: Meeting with Mr. Ajit Kumar, Consul General

DATE: Wednesday, August 19, 2014

TIME: 1:45 PM – 2:15 PM

LOCATION: Governor's Mansion

LOCATION SET-UP: Library ** Zach to take pictures upon his arrival **

PARKING: Inside the Gates

ATTENDEES:

1. Governor Nikki R. Haley
2. Consul General, Mr. Ajit Kumar's Visit
3. General George Patrick, Deputy Secretary
4. Morgan Crapps, Project Manager – Global Business
5. Katherine Veldran

PURPOSE:

- Mr. Kumar requested this meeting as a follow up from his last official South Carolina visit where your meeting was cancelled (*Michael's Homecoming*) and to learn more about our India mission and how he can be a support system for us.
- Mr. Kumar is having lunch at the Palmetto Club with Commerce, Veldran, and Bhavna before your meeting.

BIO:

NAME: Ajit Kumar

TITLE: Consul General of India, Atlanta

BACKGROUND

Place of Residence: Atlanta, Georgia

- Ajit Kumar was appointed by the Government of India as Consul General of India in 2012 to lead the newly established consulate office in Georgia (Atlanta). Kumar leads a team of 20 employees serving approximately 100,000 Indian Americans living in Georgia and roughly 290,000 across the Southeast.
- Prior to appointment as Consul General of India in Atlanta, Kumar previously served as the Indian

- consul general in Frankfurt, Germany, and Durban, South Africa and as Ambassador of India to the Republic of Zimbabwe.
- Kumar first joined the Indian Foreign Service in 1979, working in Mexico City, Pakistan, and New Delhi; Kumar also served as deputy leader of the Indian delegation to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva (1993-1996).
- From 1996 to 2000, he served as Director and Joint Secretary in the Disarmament and International Security Affairs (DISA) Division in the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi. He attended several sessions of the United Nations Disarmament Commission and the UN First Committee on Disarmament and International Security issues in New York. He also attended several sessions of the Conference of the State Parties of the Chemical Weapons Convention in The Hague. He was a member of the Indian delegation to the Non-Aligned Ministerial meeting held in Cartagena, Colombia in 2000.
- Kumar holds a master's degree in history from St. Stephens College at Delhi University; he is married with two children.

***** PRIOR TO YOUR MEETING WITH MR. KUMAR – HE IS HAVING LUNCH WITH COMMERCE, VELDRAN, AND BHAVNA ******

EVENT: Lunch with Mr. Ajit Kumar, Consul General

DATE: Wednesday, August 19, 2014

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

LOCATION: Palmetto Club

LOCATION SET-UP: Private Room

ATTENDEES:

1. Mr. Ajit Kumar, Consul General
2. General George Patrick, Deputy Secretary
3. Clarke Thompson, International Trade Director
4. Anita Patel, International Trade Specialist
5. Morgan Crapps, Project Manager – Global Business
6. Bhavna Vasudeva
7. Katherine Veldran