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This looks good to me.

Do you want me to ask the ombudsman for some numbers about volume of correspondence? To show how ridiculous it would be for a governor to first receive it all.

Also consider including:

The governor's public email address is [nikkihaley@gov.sc.gov](mailto:nikkihaley@gov.sc.gov), allowing constituents to email her office directly without having to submit an email through her website. The emails are received by the ombudsman for review and response by the Governor or staff.

In line with past practice of previous administrations, the governor has an email account to communicate with her immediate staff. (Note this is based on Sanford having a state email address with his initials.)

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 8, 2016, at 1:14 PM, Godfrey, Rob <[RobGodfrey@gov.sc.gov](mailto:RobGodfrey@gov.sc.gov)> wrote:

ON BACKGROUND:

\_Why is the governor's email address partially redacted? (It's clearly a government account, since the non-redacted part shows "@[gov.sc.gov](mailto:gov.sc.gov)")

Common practice for processing documents. Publicizing the governor's email address would invite such a large volume of correspondence that it would be impossible for the governor to manage.

\_Does she use a private email account? Why?

The governor uses her official email address for state business.

\_How does she tell officials and constituents to correspond with her? (Clearly, it's not through this account.)

Anyone can contact the governor through the office – whether it's by email, telephone, fax or online form – and hear back from the governor or the appropriate person in the office promptly.

\_Why are items on the schedule redacted? Some of it is obvious, such as phone numbers, but I don't know why events and daily headings are redacted. \_She keeps a separate political/personal schedule? Why? How and why distinguish between what's political and public?

We are the first governor's office to release a detailed public schedule each week. For those interested in even

more detail, the governor's schedule, including items on it that are state business, is available for review to anyone who submits a public records request. Even though she is a public figure, the governor's family and personal time has always and will remain private. Redaction at the top of scheduling entries involve security matters for the first family.

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