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Subject: **Personal for the First Minister**

Dear Nicola,

After much consideration, it is clear to Peter and I that we cannot move ahead on our MOU without further inaccurate and defamatory material being put in the Public Domain. We still believe in the benefits for Scotland of an infrastructure partnership with China, especially as EEC infrastructure funding via the EIB is likely to be cut off after Brexit, However the spirit of the MOU was a non-legal agreement to framework constructive and trusted dialogue - something most commentators seem to have missed. This is how China likes to work, but alas, it is impossible in the current climate in Scotland.

it has been a great pleasure meeting you and we wish you all success with your plans for Scotland.

Very best wishes

Richard Heygate and Peter Zhang
Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone