Canada Border Services Agency International Events and Convention Services Program 3rd Floor- 1611 Main Street Vancouver, BC V6A2W5

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The Lausanne Consultation on Jewish Evangelism 611 Broadway Street San Antonio, Texas USA

Gary Hedrick,

In response to your correspondence dated February 6th, 2015 the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) - International Events and Convention Services Program (IECSP) officially recognizes the following event:

LCJE North American Conference
April 20th -22nd, 2015
Sutton Place Hotel
Vancouver, BC

The information provided to the CBSA states there will be approximately 100 attendees to which 90% are foreign to Canada and that the event is open to the general public with sales of merchandise.

As outlined in your correspondence, this event is expecting approximately 10 foreign exhibitors who are importing printed material, books, and brochures for use at the event.

Non-Canadian exhibitors may import display items and exhibit booths temporarily as outlined in the provisions of tariff classification **9993.00.00.00** duty free, on the condition that the goods will be exported from Canada upon the completion of the event.

It has been determined that this event qualifies under the provisions of the *Foreign Organization Remission Order* as outlined in tariff classification **9830.00.00.00**. Conference materials (i.e. office paraphernalia, souvenirs, printed matter, pens, decorations, etc.) may enter Canada free of duty and taxes, provided the items will be exported upon the completion of the event.

Any foreign exhibitors importing goods into Canada should check with U.S. Customs prior to shipping your convention goods, as the requirement is any goods over \$2000. U.S. must be reported to U.S. Customs. They can document your goods on the form 4455 so they can identify the goods on your return to the U.S.

Nationals of other countries may engage in exhibiting, selling or displaying goods without a work permit from Citizenship & Immigration providing they are not selling to the general public. Direct sales to the



public at large require a work permit. Exhibitors engaged in direct sales to the public, where goods are delivered at the time of sale, are considered to be entering the labor market and a work permit is required. Additional information on work permits is available on the CIC Web site at http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/work/index.asp.

CBSA requires everyone seeking admission into Canada to properly declare themselves to CBSA by providing accurate identification. CBSA will accept a valid passport as proof of citizenship.

Persons who have been convicted of any criminal offences may be inadmissible to Canada. For more information please visit: http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/information/inadmissibility/index.asp

If you have attendees from visa-requiring countries (http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp), please contact the Special Events Unit of Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) at special.events@cic.gc.ca with the specifics of your event. They will assess the visa requirements of your event.

To facilitate border procedures it is recommended that all exhibitors and attendees be provided a copy of this letter for presentation to a CBSA Border Services Officer upon their arrival to Canada.

In conjunction with the presentation of this Recognition Letter, an itemized list of goods including a description, country of origin, quantity and value is required for presentation to CBSA. If your event materials will be imported by a commercial carrier or courier service, a copy of this letter should also be attached to any shipping documents.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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The information you provide in this document is collected under the authority of Section 107(9) of the Customs Act for the purpose of the facilitation of border coordination services for organizers of international events being held in Canada. The information may be disclosed to Other Government departments and/or Agencies (e.g. Citizenship and Immigration Canada) for the purposes of providing assistance with admissibility requirements.

Individuals have the right of access to, the protection and correction of their personal information under the Privacy Act – Section 12. The information collected is described under the International Events

Personal Information Bank CBSA PPU 040 which is detailed at www.cbsa.gc.ca/agency-agence/reports-rapports/pia-efvp/atip-aiprp/infosource-eng.html

