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#### **News Release**

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### MP Sahota Invited Local Brampton Stakeholders to Speak with the Immigration Minister

13/07/2016 – Brampton, Ontario – Ms. Ruby Sahota, Member of Parliament for Brampton North, invited local stakeholders to meet with the Honourable John McCallum, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada to consult on implementing changes to the Government's immigration policy.

Local stakeholders are a key component of welcoming and integrating newcomers to Canada. The five Brampton MPs, Minister McCallum and the various local stakeholders who were present met to consult on writing the next chapter of Canada's immigration policy.

"Canada's strength lies in its diversity. Indeed, the story of Canadian immigration is inseparable from the story of Canada itself" said MP Ruby Sahota. "Through wide-ranging consultations like this; we want to hear how we can continue to grow our nation through the immigration system, while modernizing and improving the process."

Today's consultation will influence how the Government will balance priorities, respond to emerging challenges, and invest in immigration. This is a part of the Government's plan to promote open and transparent dialogue with Canadians. Through these consultations, the Government reaffirms its commitment to achieving an immigration system that supports diversity and helps grow the economy, as it strengthens the fabric of society.

After the consultations, the Minister and the Brampton MPs held a summer media meet and greet, where the Minister answered a number of questions ranging from processing times to an update on the Syrian refugees portfolio.

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