Ambassador Petronila P. Garcia (2nd row, 4th from right) and Consul General Maria Andrelita S. Austria (5th row, 3rd from right) pose with The Honourable Janet Austin (front row, left), Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia and The Honourable John Horgan (front row, right), Premier of British Columbia, during the Tea Reception held at the Government House on 29 September. The jointly hosted reception officially welcomed participating Ambassadors and Consuls General from 50 different missions based in Ottawa and BC to the 2019 BC Economic Mission which aimed to, among others, promote British Columbia as a business and technology hub to the international community.

H.E. Ambassador Petronila Garcia, Dean of the Asia-Pacific Group of Diplomatic Corps, together with Lieutenant Governor Austin and Premier Horgan and other BC officials enjoy a special indigenous welcome by Clarence (Butch) Dick of the Songhees Nation at the Government House.
Ambassador Petronila P. Garcia (seated, middle) and Consul General Maria Andrelita S. Austria (standing, 2nd from right) visit the Legislative Chamber during the group’s tour of the Parliament Building. With them is the Honourable Bruce Ralston, BC Minister of Jobs, Trade and Technology (standing, middle).

Participants pose for a group photo at the end of a walking tour of the Viking Air manufacturing facility, a Victoria-based manufacturer of the Series 400 Twin Otter and a leading utility aircraft service provider.