



**TALKING WITH PARLIAMENTARIANS:**  
**A REFERENCE SHEET**

<b>DO</b>	<b>DON'T</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduce everyone</li> <li>• Ask for Business card or Contact card</li> <li>• Thank the Parliamentarian for their attendance</li> <li>• Ask them to consider sending a letter of support for CASDA budget asks</li> <li>• Ask them to consider sending a letter of support for RWA (Ready, Willing, &amp; Able)</li> <li>• Ask Questions</li> <li>• Shake hands</li> <li>• Encourage their support</li> <li>• Address Ministers as “Minister”</li> <li>• Take a photo for social media</li> <li>• Post on social media with a tag to CASDA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be nervous</li> <li>• Spend more than 5 minutes explaining your asks</li> <li>• Let the Parliamentarian get you off track</li> <li>• Address Parliamentarians by their first name unless invited to do so</li> <li>• Forget to ask the Parliamentarian to act on at least one item</li> <li>• Forget to follow up with their office after conference ends</li> <li>• Mention any financial support you give to any government party</li> </ul>