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CANADIAN COMPANIES TO PARTICIPATE IN TRADE MISSION TO THE CARIBBEAN

The Honourable Michael Wilson, Minister of Industry, Science and Technology and Minister for International Trade, announced today that a Canadian trade mission will promote marine environment services in the Bahamas, Jamaica and Barbados from March 22 to 30, 1993.

Seven firms from Atlantic Canada will outline, to potential buyers, their capabilities in coastal conservation, underwater construction, waste-water treatment, ground-water management, and oil and chemical spill-response techniques.

"The companies participating in this initiative will demonstrate advanced technological capabilities in the protection of fragile ecosystems," Mr. Wilson said.

Canadian firms sold goods valued at \$720 million to the Caribbean in 1992 and registered additional sales of consulting engineering and construction services.

"The marine environment services sector is a small, but growing element of our trade with this region, which is highly dependent on international tourism and offers Canadian companies excellent opportunities," the Minister said.

A list of the companies participating in the mission, to be led by Canadian trade commissioners in the region, is attached.

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