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MINISTER CLARK MOVES DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today announced that the Department of External Affairs will operate from Edmonton for one week in April. "I see this week in Edmonton as one more way in which the government is working effectively to ensure that Western Canadians are heard in Ottawa", said Mr. Clark.

The Department will set up temporary offices at Lister Hall, University of Alberta, between April 14 and April 20.

Senior departmental officials will accompany Mr. Clark. Routine government work will be conducted from the temporary offices. In addition, officials will make themselves available for private meetings, small group seminars, and to conduct public colloqiums on such topics as Pacific Rim trade, assistance to exporters and importers, the role of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), and careers in the foreign service.

Mr. Clark will also work from the University offices, and will attend a number of public events in Edmonton and within his riding of Yellowhead.

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