"The visit of Minister Formica is an excellent occasion to discuss and explore means of strengthening economic relations between our two countries", said Minister Carney. "Such initiatives taken by the federal government give Canadian business people the opportunity to establish direct contact with representatives of the private sector in other countries".

"Moreover, it is a pleasure for me to welcome my Italian counterpart here in Toronto, the Canadian city which is the home of the largest Italian community outside Italy", Minister Carney added.

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