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## CANADA CONTRIBUTES TO MONITORING MISSION IN YUGOSLAVIA

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, and the Minister of National Defence, the Honourable Marcel Masse, today announced that Canada will participate in a mission to monitor the implementation of a ceasefire in Yugoslavia.

"Canada has repeatedly called for the parties involved to end the violence and to resolve their differences through negotiations," said Mrs. McDougall. "Our participation in the monitoring mission is a tangible way to help bring an end to the tragic conflict in Croatia."

"Today's announcement is just the latest example of Canada's ongoing commitment to peace and security in Europe," said Mr. Masse. "It also shows that the international community recognizes Canada's expertise in such missions."

The mission was made possible by a ceasefire agreement negotiated by the European Community. It will include representatives of all 12 members of the European Community, as well as Canada, the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Poland and Sweden.

Canada was invited to participate in the 150-person mission as a participating country in the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe. Canada will provide up to 15 representatives drawn from the Department of National Defence and External Affairs and International Trade Canada.

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