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UNIFICATION OF THE YEMENS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today extended his congratulations to the governments and people of the Yemen Arab Republic and the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, whose formal union as the Republic of Yemen was announced in Aden by President Ali Abdullah Saleh on May 22. Mr. Clark expressed his admiration for the willingness of the leaders and people of both countries to overcome past differences in the interest of forming a stronger, united country.

"The Republic of Yemen, thanks to this brave decision, can look forward to an even brighter future of economic and social progress through the judicious development of its human potential and of its mineral and agricultural resources," Mr. Clark added. "We hope to build on the fruitful cooperation between the people of Canada and Yemen through even closer collaboration in the years to come."

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