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AGRODEV CANADA INC. TO MANAGE INNER MONGOLIA AGRICULTURAL PROJECT

On behalf of the Hon. Edward C. Lumley, Minister of Trade, Rod Blaker, MP for Lachine, announced today that AGRODEV Canada Inc. of Beaconsfield, Quebec has been awarded a \$1 million contract by the General Bureau of Animal Husbandry in the People's Republic of China.

AGRODEV will act as project managers for the first phase of the Northern Livestock Project in Inner Mongolia. The project is expected to cost \$100 million, of which an estimated \$40 million will be financed by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). IFAD funds will be used to import farm implements and machinery, irrigation equipment, seed, livestock, and AI facilities, as well as milk processing and laboratory equipment.

The contract was obtained following a cooperative marketing effort spearheaded by AGRODEV with the assistance of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce, Canadian Commercial Corporation, Agriculture Canada, and the Alberta Department of Agriculture.

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