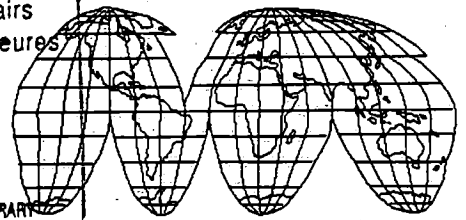


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**FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE:
PRESS RELEASES:**

Ouellet to Meet with ASEAN Foreign Ministers in Vancouver

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Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet announced that he will meet with foreign ministers of the six member-countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) for pre-G-7 consultations in Vancouver, May 9-11. Mr. Raymond Chan, Secretary of State (Asia-Pacific), will also take part in the meeting. "The ASEAN countries are becoming increasingly important in international affairs and are a key market of the future. I look forward to discussing issues of global importance to both G-7 and southeast Asian countries," said Mr. Ouellet. The Minister invited his ASEAN colleagues to come to Canada for pre-Halifax Summit consultations at the ASEAN Post-Ministerial Conference (PMC) in Bangkok last July. The purpose of the Vancouver meeting is to exchange views on a wide range of political and economic issues of mutual interest in advance of the Halifax Summit.

26th Quadrilateral Trade Ministers' Meeting, Whistler, B.C., 3-5 May, 1995, Chairman's Statement

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The orientation of our discussions over the past two days reflects the emergence of new challenges for the trading system and new opportunities for trade liberalization. We do not intend to limit our future discussions to these sectors and issues — as important as they may be. We will actively pursue elimination of remaining barriers and senior officials of the Quad will study how this can best be done. As we look towards the future agenda for trade negotiations, the first WTO Ministerial Meeting in 1996 presents an opportunity to maintain the momentum of trade liberalization.

MacLaren Welcomes Visit of Indonesian Minister of Investment

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The Honourable Roy MacLaren, Minister for International Trade, announced the visit to Canada of Sanyoto Sastrowardoyo, Minister of Investment of Indonesia, from May 8 to 12. Mr. Sanyoto will be in Vancouver on May 10 and in Toronto on May 12 to attend the "Partnering with Indonesia" forum. He is accompanied by Indonesian finance and technology officials and a delegation of up to 50 business executives, representing a variety of sectors, including telecommunications, power, environment and agri-food. A key feature of the event will be one-on-one meetings between Canadian and Indonesian business representatives to discuss potential partnerships. "Partnership is a key to doing business successfully in Indonesia," said Mr. MacLaren. "Canadian companies should actively explore the opportunities for direct investment, joint ventures and technology transfer arrangements. Indonesia is a very important investment partner for Canada, especially in the oil and gas, power and mining sectors. Foreign investment regulations have been significantly liberalized, creating many opportunities for Canadian investment in a full range of sectors."

Diplomatic Appointments

May 4, 1995, no. 85

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, André Ouellet, announces the following diplomatic appointments: Brian Baker as Ambassador to the Kingdom of Denmark; Derek R.T. Fraser as Ambassador to the Hellenic Republic; Jacques Noiseux as Ambassador to the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria; Michel Perrault as Ambassador to the Republic of Korea.

OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER

**Prime Minister Chrétien Sends Letter of Congratulations to
President Elect of France, Mr. Jacques Chirac**

May 8, 1995

It is my pleasure to convey my congratulations on your election to your country's highest office. The people of France have expressed their confidence in you. Your election is the culmination of an unwavering political commitment, and comes at a turning point in the contemporary history of France and Europe.... I will soon have the honour of welcoming you to the Halifax Summit, where we will be able to work with our G-7 colleagues on meeting some of the challenges we face together: reform of international institutions as well as job creation, the battle against poverty and alienation, and the improvement of public finances.... In the field of