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The Secretary of State for External Affairs announced today that Mr. George J. McIlraith will represent the Canadian Government at general economic and financial discussions amongst Commonwealth countries that will take place in London during the week beginning September 18. Mr. McIlraith is Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Trade and Commerce.

The meetings are timed so that Commonwealth representatives, who are attending meetings in Paris of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, may proceed to London when the Paris meetings are over.

Mr. Graham F. Towers, Governor of the Bank of Canada, who is attending the Bank and Fund meetings in Peris will go on to London to attend the discussions with Mr. McIlraith. Mr. John J. Doutsch, Director of the International Economic Relations Division of the Department of Finance, and Mr. Claude Isbister, Director of the International Trade Relations Division of the Department of Trade and Commerce, will also attend as advisers.