

TRADE FAIRS AROUND THE WORLD

Uruguay Trade Show Provides Entrance to Mercosur

MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY — The **Second River Plate International Fair (FIPLA II)**, which focuses on the international pro-

duction of capital and consumer goods and services, is scheduled to take place here from May 31 to June 9, 1996.

The exhibition provides a unique opportunity for Canadian companies to display their production technologies in the heart of the Mercosur, the 200-million-people common market encompassing Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay.

For more information, contact FIPLA, Av. Italia 6201 - Montevideo, Uruguay (Tel: (598-2) 60 63 23; Fax: (598-2) 61 02 68); or Embassy of Uruguay, 130 Albert Street, Suite 1905, Ottawa K1P 5G4, Tel.: (613) 234-2727/2937; Fax: (613) 233-4760.

Hi-Tech Show Gateway to New World

KANATA, ONTARIO — Billed as the "Gateway" to the 21st Century, the **Kanata Hi-Tech Show** blends new and existing technologies from around the world and offers literally thousands of information solutions and options.

Taking place from June 5-7,

1996, the three-day event expects to welcome some 15,000 visitors and thousands of delegates from Canada, the United States, and many other countries.

For information, contact B & K Show Promotions, Gloucester, Ontario, Tel.: (613) 741-8145; Fax: (613) 741-8195.

BUSINESS AGENDA

Toronto — May 1-2, 1996 — The **Doing Business in Ukraine Conference** is an excellent way for Canadian enterprises to learn about investment opportunities in Ukraine. Held in conjunction with the *Ukraine and Partners Trade Show*, the conference provides a forum for senior Ukrainian decision makers to meet with their North American counterparts. For further information, contact Kozlova Enterprises at 1-800-648-7469 or through the Internet at

<http://www.mts.net/kozlave>

Montreal — May 7, 1996; **Toronto** — May 8, 1996 — **Seminars on Trade and Investment Opportunities in Northern Ireland and the Irish Border Counties** are being held to raise awareness among Canadian companies of the opportunities in the region. Ministers from the United Kingdom and Ireland will join Canada's Minister for Interna-

tional Trade, Arthur C. Eggleton (in Toronto) and Minister for International Co-operation Pierre Pettigrew (in Montreal), along with senior representatives from Bombardier and Northern Telecom, to highlight programs that support business activities in the area. For more information, contact Base Services Canada Inc., 250 Consumers Road, Suite 301, Willowdale, Ontario M2J 4V6, Tel.: (416) 494-1440; Fax: (416) 495-8723.

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with Bank of Boston, increasing the amount to US\$25 million for transactions in Argentina, Brazil, Colombia and Uruguay;

- proposed US\$20-million line of credit with the Central American Bank for Economic Integration, extending coverage to Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, all of which were not

previously covered by EDC.

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