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VISIT TO CANADA OF PRESIDENT OF South West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO)

The Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Allan J. MacEachen, announced that Mr. Sam Nujoma, President of the South West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO), will visit Canada February 20-22.

The visit will provide an occasion to review recent developments in Southern Africa and prospects for Namibia's independence. The economic needs of an independent Namibia will also be reviewed.

Canada, as a member of the Western Contact Group, has actively sought Namibia's independence through the implementation of Security Council Resolution 435.

During his stay, Mr. Nujoma will meet political leaders, parliamentarians and representatives of non-governmental organizations which provide humanitarian assistance to Namibian refugees.

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