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## SAUDI ARABIAN BUSINESS MISSION VISITS CANADA

International Trade Minister, John C. Crosbie announced today that a 'blue chip' business mission of 10 senior Saudi Arabian businessmen will be crossing the country from September 22 - October 2. The mission will visit Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto and Montreal to discuss trade and investment opportunities with representatives from Canadian business.

A feature of the mission will be luncheons in each of the centres visited co-hosted by the Department of External Affairs and the Canada-Arab Business Council.

In announcing the visit, Mr. Crosbie noted that Saudi Arabia is Canada's largest market in the Arab world. In 1987 Canadian exports of goods to Saudi Arabia totalled some \$268 million while exports of services were more than \$400 million. A similar mission in 1987 led to the establishment of 17 export agency agreements and millions of dollars in trade and investment between the two countries.

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