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## CANADA-ARGENTINA JOINT COMMITTEE

## ON ECONOMIC, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION

The Department of External Affairs is pleased to announce that the first meeting of the Canada-Argentina Joint Committee on Economic, Commercial and Industrial Cooperation will take place in Buenos Aires August 20-22, 1985. The Canadian Delegation will be led by Mr. Michael Bell, Assistant Deputy Minister, Latin America and Caribbean, of the Department of External Affairs while the Argentine side will be chaired by Mr. Ricardo Oscar Campero, Secretary of Foreign Trade.

The Joint Committee was established in 1984 with the ratification of the Canada-Argentina Agreement on Economic, Commercial and Industrial Cooperation. It is a forum which will permit Ministers and senior officials of both governments to exchange views on international economic matters and to consider ways of promoting increased trade and economic and industrial cooperation between the two countries. Canada is hopeful that the Joint Committee, which will meet annually, will prove to be a significant mechanism in strengthening the Canada-Argentina bilateral relationship.