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The Department of External Affairs announced today that the Canadian delegation to the forthcoming FAO Conference in Rome will be headed by the Right Honourable James G. Gardiner if his parliamentary duties and attendance at the Annual Federal-Provincial Agricultural Conference make it possible for him to leave Canada. Dr. G.S.H. Barton, Special Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, will attend as alternate head of the Canadian delegation. Other members of the delegation are:

Dr. S.C. Hudson, Principal Economist, Economics Division, Department of Agriculture; Mr. S.J. Chagnon, Vice-Chairman, Agricultural Prices Support Board, Department of Agriculture; Dr. D.A. Macdonald, Director, Forestry Eranch, Department of Resources and Development; Dr. L.B. Pett, Chief, Nutrition Services, Department of National Health and Welfare.

Dr. H.H. Hannam, President of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, Mr. J.H. Tremblay, Agricultural Secretary of the Canadian Embassy, Paris, will act as advisers to the delegation.

The Conference opens on November 19 and is expected to continue until December 7. This is the first session to be held at the new Permanent Headquarters of the FAO in Rome. It is also the last annual session; future sessions will be held once every two years.