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OUELLET TO VISIT FRANCE

Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet will pay a visit to Paris, September 21-23, during which he will meet with the Prime Minister of France, Mr. Alain Juppé, the Keeper of the Seals, Mr. Jacques Toubon, and the Foreign Affairs Minister, Mr. Hervé de Charette.

Mr. Ouellet will continue with his interlocutors the fruitful dialogue between Canada and France on topics of international interest including the situation in the former Yugoslavia and the follow-up to the G-7 Summit in Halifax.

The next Francophone Summit will be on the agenda of a meeting which Mr. Ouellet will have with Mrs. Margie Sudre, France's Secretary of State responsible for la Francophonie. Their talks will add to those held earlier in the month, when Mrs. Sudre paid a visit to Canada as part of the preparations for the Summit, to take place in Cotonou, Benin, this December.

Finally, Mr. Ouellet will attend the premiere of Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas*, a joint production of Toronto's Opera Atelier and the Orchestra of the Louvre, sponsored by the French government, the Fondation Paribas (France), Canada's Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade and the Government of Ontario.

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