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EUROPEAN COMMISSION VICE-PRESIDENT TO VISIT OTTAWA

The Honourable Roy MacLaren, Minister for International Trade, today announced that Sir Leon Brittan, Vice-President of the European Commission and Commissioner Responsible for Trade Policy, will visit Ottawa on May 2 to discuss ways to develop further trade and investment relations.

After the Ottawa visit, Sir Leon and Mr. MacLaren will travel to British Columbia to attend the Quadrilateral Trade Ministers Meeting, May 4-5.

Along with ministers responsible for international trade from Japan and the United States, they will discuss global trade policy issues at the session known as the "Quad." The Quad, which meets once or twice a year, was created in 1982 as an informal forum for discussing multilateral trade and investment issues.

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