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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TO VISIT VENEZUELA

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, announced today that he will visit Venezuela on June 19 and 20 at the invitation of the Group of 77.

The Group of 77, which is celebrating its 25th Anniversary this year, is comprised of developing countries concerned with economic development in the Third World.

During his visit to Caracas Mr. Clark will attend a luncheon given in his honour by the President of Venezuela, Carlos Andres Perez, and will meet with the Minister of Foreign Affairs, His Excellency Tejera Paris.

Invited to attend as a guest, Canada will be represented at the meeting of the Group of 77 by a senior official. Although unable to attend the plenary sessions personally because of other commitments, Mr. Clark will have an opportunity to exchange views with his ministerial colleagues on bilateral, hemispheric and international questions of interest to Canada, including the Central American Peace Process.

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