
Media Advisory

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Media representatives are advised that International Trade Minister Pierre Pettigrew will be travelling in Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba from March 4 to 8, 2002.

On Monday, March 4, the Minister will go to Chicoutimi, Quebec, accompanied by André Harvey, Member of Parliament for Chicoutimi. Messrs. Pettigrew and Harvey will hold several meetings during the day and will visit two local companies, Canship and Refraco, that do business in world markets. A media availability will take place at the end of the day.

For Tuesday, March 5, in Laval, Quebec, Mr. Pettigrew and the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade are organizing a promotion day for the Canadian Trade Commissioner Service aimed at businesses in the area. Several trade commissioners with postings abroad will participate in activities throughout the day. The event will begin with an export seminar organized by Laval Technopole. Minister Pettigrew will then attend a luncheon, where he will deliver a keynote address on exporting to the United States and hold a Question and Answer session for participants. In mid-afternoon, Mr. Pettigrew will visit Entreprises Reflet DBM of Laval, where he will hold a press conference and visit the company's facilities.

On Wednesday, March 6, the Minister will travel to Toronto, Ontario, to be guest speaker at a Conference Board of Canada dinner with the theme: "The Race for Foreign Investment: Will Canada Compete or Get Left Behind?". Please note that the Minister is scheduled to have a media availability in mid-afternoon to comment on President Bush's decision regarding U.S. anti-dumping measures against Canadian steel.

On Thursday, March 7, the Minister will go to Winnipeg, Manitoba, to attend a luncheon with the Winnipeg and the St. Boniface Chambers of Commerce, where he will deliver a speech on promoting foreign investment in Canada.

On Friday, March 8, the Minister will return to Quebec to meet, in Longueuil, with members of organizations that have benefited from Government of Canada assistance in the context of the national initiative for the homeless. This meeting is to be followed by a media availability.

Mr. Pettigrew will then attend a luncheon hosted by the members of Export@ction, an exporters' club from Haut-Richelieu, Jardins de Napierville and Roussillon.

