

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Allan J. MacEachen, announced today that the Government of Canada and the Government of Japan have agreed to hold the Seventh Meeting of the Canada/Japan Ministerial Committee in Tokyo, June 23 and 24. The Canadian Delegation will be led by the Secretary of State for External Affairs, and the Japanese Delegation will be led by Foreign Minister Kiichi Miyazawa. Other Ministers from the two Governments will also attend the Meeting.

The Canada/Japan Ministerial Committee was established as a result of the joint communiqué issued during the visit to Canada of the then Prime Minister Hayato Ikeda of Japan. It first met in Tokyo in 1963 and has met alternately in Canada and Japan since that time. The June meeting in Tokyo will be the first opportunity for Ministers to gather since the Canadian and Japanese Prime Ministers, upon the occasion of Mr. Tanaka's visit last September, announced their intention to place the Canada/Japan relationship upon an ever broader and deeper basis. This meeting will be directed toward the fulfilment of this objective. Subjects to be discussed include the international situation and bilateral and multilateral economic matters. The Canadian Delegation will be as follows:

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable
Allan J. MacEachen,

The President of the Treasury Board, the Honourable
Jean Chrétien,

The Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the Honourable
Donald S. Macdonald,

The Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce, the Honourable
Alastair W. Gillespie,

The Minister of Agriculture, the Honourable Eugene F. Whelan,
His Excellency Ross Campbell, Canadian Ambassador to Japan.