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OUELLET TO PARTICIPATE IN SPECIAL MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE OF LA FRANCOPHONIE IN PARIS

Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet today announced that he will lead the Canadian delegation to a special ministerial conference of la Francophonie in Paris on March 30.

The conference is being convened to enable representatives of member countries to consider fundamental questions pertaining to the future of la Francophonie, including future directions for Francophone co-operation, operation of la Francophonie institutions (in particular the relationship between the Summits and the Agency for Cultural and Technical Co-operation), and expansion of la Francophonie to other countries seeking membership.

The results of the Paris conference will be submitted to the heads of state and government who will meet at the Cotonou Summit in Benin in December 1995.

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