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Prime Minister Trudeau, during a week-long visit to the People's Republic of China with Mrs. Trudeau, announced at a news conference in Peking on October 13 that he and Premier Chou En-lai had signed agreements in the areas of trade, medical science and health care, science and technology, cultural, academic, sport and media exchanges and consular affairs.

"I think I may say," said Mr. Trudeau, "that this visit to Peking, the warm welcome and excellent arrangements that have been made for us, and the extremely friendly and candid conversations we have had as well as the agreements between the two countries will remain both friendly and of substantial importance to both." The following excerpts are from Mr. Trudeau's statement to the press:

On the trade and economic side, the Premier and I were pleased to note the favourable development of two-way trade since the establishment of diplomatic relations in 1970. Trade between Canada and China has increased considerably both in terms of value and composition. It is expected that Canadian exports to and imports from China will surpass in 1973 the record levels rea-

ched in 1972 when two-way trade totalled over \$300 million. We expressed the expectation that our discussions during the past few days would lead to a further development of this trend in 1974, to the mutual benefit of both countries. As a further important step in the development of trade relations, the Premier and I signed a trade agreement which will serve as a framework for the



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Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau meets Chairman Mao Tse-tung of the

People's Republic of China at Chungnanhai on October 13.