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**WHEN?** Ministerial portion - February 12 - 14, 1990  
Official portion - February 15 - 28, 1990

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**WHERE?** Government Conference Centre, Ottawa  
Media Centre - Lorne Building (formerly the National Gallery of Canada), Elgin Street

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**WHY?** To negotiate an agreement among the 16 NATO and 7 Warsaw Treaty Organization countries providing for overflight of each others' territory on a regular basis by unarmed surveillance aircraft.

To provide information about each other which would supplement that currently available from satellite surveillance, but more importantly to underline a developing atmosphere of confidence building and openness among the participating countries.

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**WHO?** Secretary of State for External Affairs, Joe Clark, will host the ministerial session. Upon departure of NATO and Warsaw Treaty Organization Ministers, the negotiating sessions will be carried on by teams of officials until the end of the month. The head of the Canadian delegation at the official level will be Mr. John Noble, Director General of the International Security and Arms Control Bureau of External Affairs and International Trade Canada.

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**HOW?** As host country, Canada is responsible for organizing and managing the Ottawa conference which is the first of two. The second, and final one, is expected to take place later in 1990 in Budapest.

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