In a speech to 150 senior Hong Kong businessmen and Government leaders, the Minister underlined Canada's committment to increasing trade and economic activities in the Pacific rim. He announced that the Canadian Government would sponsor a solo trade show in Hong Kong in May next year, CANADEXPO 84. This major event will include participation by Canadian firms interested in the Asian marketplace. "I expect wide participation by Canadian manufacturers active in the Asian marketplace covering such product areas as telecommunications, computer software and hardware, processed foods, building materials, capital equipment for industry", said the Minister.

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