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OFFICIAL VISIT TO SOUTH ASIA BY THE
DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
JUNE 29 - JULY 8, 1983

The Honourable Allan J. MacEachen, Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs, announced today that he will make an official visit to three South Asian countries from June 29 to July 8, 1983. The trip will include visits to Sri Lanka (June 29-July 3), India (July 3-6), and Pakistan (July 6-8), and will follow his attendance at the ASEAN Post-Ministerial meeting with Dialogue Partners in Bangkok, Thailand on June 27-28.

The visit to South Asia will provide an opportunity for consultations on a variety of bilateral and multilateral issues, and will serve to further strengthen ties between Canada and each of the three countries.

While in Sri Lanka, Mr. MacEachen will attend ceremonies marking the completion of Canada's largest single aid project in Asia, the Maduru Oya dam and reservoir complex.