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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today that His Excellency, Hajj Ahmed ben Abdeslam Balafrej, Minister of State and personal representative of the King of Morocco, will pay an official visit to Canada on December 1 and 2. Mr. Balafrej will be accompanied by His Excellency Mr. Ben Abboud Ahmed, Moroccan Ambassador to India.

Mr. Balafrej will arrive by air at Ottawa Airport at 12:30 p.m. on December 1. The programme prepared for him during his brief stay will include a call on the Secretary of State for External Affairs and an official dinner given in his honour by the Government. He will also pay a courtesy call on the Governor General.

M. Balafrej is expected to leave Ottawa on the afternoon of December 2 for brief private visits to Montreal and Quebec.