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VISIT BY MINISTER JEAN-PIERRE GOYER
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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Don Jamieson, announced today that the Minister of Supply and Services and Advisor for Francophone Affairs to the Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Jean-Pierre Goyer, will visit Francophone Africa from November 6 to 15. His trip will take him to Upper Volta, Zaire and Gabon. The Minister led a Canadian delegation to West Africa in June and more recently, a commercial mission to Algeria and Morocco.

It is expected that Mr. Goyer will discuss with his hosts bilateral and multilateral relations between Canada and the countries he is visiting including political, aid development and trade subjects. He will take advantage of his presence in Ouagadougou, Kinshasa and Libreville to follow up on certain projects examined during the visit to Canada of the President of Gabon, El Hadj Omar Bongo, and during the recent private stays in Ottawa of the Foreign Affairs Ministers of Zaire and Upper Volta.

Mr. Goyer will be accompanied by officials of the Department of External Affairs, Canadian International Development Agency and the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

