

"Mr. Howard comes highly recommended and well qualified for this assignment in Tokyo", said Mr. Kelleher. "Continuing and increased investment in Canada from Japan is extremely important to the success of the Government's investment program. Mr. Howard's private sector experience and knowledge of Japanese investor needs will be of important use in our investment development initiatives".

Mr. Howard's appointment follows Cabinet's decision to authorize the Department of External Affairs to recruit investment advisors for priority markets. It is part of Investment Canada's new foreign investment program launched last September 25 by the Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion, Sinclair Stevens.

Mr. Kelleher recently announced a similar assignment of Mr. Victor Clarke in Canada's High Commission in London. He expects to make announcements in the future regarding the assignment of investment advisors to Canadian missions in Germany, Chicago, New York and Paris.