

Following the Cairns meeting, Canada's International Trade Minister will continue his visit to New Zealand from March 19 to 25 to exchange views with prominent government and business leaders. In Wellington, Mr. Crosbie will meet with Prime Minister David Lange, Deputy Prime Minister Geoffrey Palmer, Minister of External Relations and International Trade Mike Moore, and other members of the New Zealand Cabinet. They will discuss matters of mutual interest including bilateral trade, ways to promote trade liberalization in the region, and institution-building in the Asia Pacific region.

On March 21, Mr. Crosbie will speak to the New Zealand Institute for International Affairs and the Institute for Policy Studies on the subject "Canada and New Zealand: Partners for the Future".

During his bilateral visit, Mr. Crosbie will also meet leading business, financial and investment community representatives and journalists. These meetings, and a speech to the Auckland regional Chamber of Commerce on March 22, will focus on Canada's growing trade and investment relations with New Zealand and other Asia Pacific countries. Canada's exports to New Zealand were \$137.7 million last year, while Canada imported \$224.9 million from New Zealand.

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