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EUROPEAN CONSERVATION CONFERENCE

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mitchell Sharp, today announced that the Government of Canada has accepted an invitation to attend the European Conservation Conference to be held in Strasbourg, France, February 9 - 12, 1970, under the sponsorship of the Council of Europe. The Conference is being attended by all the member and associate states of the Council of Europe and invited non-member countries. It is intended to cover a broad range of conservation questions in a European context.

The following Canadian Delegation has been appointed:

Mr. Paul Beaulieu, Science Counsellor at the Delegation of Canada to the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development will head the delegation. He has been concerned with environmental questions in the OECD and has been the Canadian observer to Council of Europe meetings on the subject previously.

Mr. Victor Caron, Science Counsellor at the Embassy in Paris, is a scientist formerly with the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, and is an authority on Canadian research into environmental problems, particularly in the field of agriculture.

Mr. Christian de Laet, the Secretary General of the Canadian Council of Resource Ministers.

Mr. J.S. MacTavish, Head of the Renewable Resources Co-ordination Section, Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, and the Federal Co-ordinator for the Canadian Council of Resource Ministers.