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VISIT OF THE DUTCH MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE

The Honourable Gerald Regan, Minister for International Trade, announced today the visit to Ottawa of Mr. Fritz Bolkestein, Minister for International Trade for the Netherlands. Mr. Bolkestein began his visit to Canada in Toronto on March 26th and will depart on the 30th following visits to Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec.

While in Ottawa, Mr. Bolkestein will have meetings with the Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion, the Honourable Ed Lumley, and the President of the Treasury Board, the Honourable Herb Gray, as well as with Mr. Regan. The discussions between the two trade ministers will focus on Canada-Netherlands bilateral trade, not only in traditional exports but also in the area of high technology.

In honour of Mr. Bolkestein's visit, Mr. Regan will host a dinner attended by some forty representatives of the Canadian business and export community actively involved with the Netherlands.