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MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS (MTN)

Mid-term Review Conference Organization

The Minister for International Trade, the Honourable Pat Carney, announced today the establishment of an office in the Department of External Affairs to manage the Mid-term Review Conference of the Multilateral Trade Negotiations (the Uruguay Round) which will be held in Montreal the week of December 5 this year.

This meeting which will bring together Ministers and their delegations from up to 100 countries will mark a critical milestone in the Uruguay Round of negotiations. Canada's offer to host the meeting in Montreal is a reflection of this Government's commitment to the GATT and our resolve in this Round to make substantial progress towards further trade liberalization world wide.

The Executive Director of the MTRC Office will be Mr. Don Caldwell, a career foreign service officer of the Department of External Affairs. The MTRC Office will be responsible under Mr. Caldwell's direction for all organizational aspects of the Conference. Mr. Caldwell is located at 50 O'Connor Street, 17th Floor, Ottawa, telephone 232-7493.

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