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CLARK ANNOUNCES CANADIAN ACTIVITIES IN UKRAINE

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today announced the steps Canada is taking to broaden its activities in the Ukrainian SSR.

"I am particularly pleased to announce the appointment of Nestor Gayowsky as Canada's first Consul General in Kiev, at a time when we are celebrating the centennial of the Ukrainian community in Canada," Mr. Clark said.

The opening of the Consulate General in Kiev in the summer of 1991 reflects the close co-operation between the Government and the Canadian Ukrainian community. Mr. Patrick Boyer, Parliamentary Secretary to Mr. Clark worked directly with the community in locating the premises for the Consulate.

Mr. Clark also announced Canadian assistance to help with the aftermath of the Chernobyl tragedy:

- The Government Task Force on Central and Eastern Europe will provide 500 radiation detectors costing \$25,000 to be distributed in the contaminated areas. They will be supplied by the Canadian company Bubble Technology.
- The Canadian government and the Canadian Red Cross Society have donated \$15,000 to the Humanitarian Assistance and Rehabilitation Program for Chernobyl of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.