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ROBAINA VISIT TO MARK 50 YEARS OF DIPLOMATIC TIES BETWEEN CANADA AND CUBA

Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet today announced that Cuban Foreign Minister Roberto Robaina Gonzalez will pay a working visit to Canada March 19-24 marking 50 years of diplomatic ties between Canada and Cuba.

Mr. Robaina's program will include one day in Toronto, one day in Alberta and two days in Ottawa, where, in addition to Mr. Ouellet, he will meet with International Trade Minister Roy MacLaren and Secretary of State (Latin America and Africa) Christine Stewart.

Discussions are expected to focus on trade and investment relations, development co-operation, fisheries relations, international political developments and Canada's interests in human rights and democratic development.

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