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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, THE HONOURABLE HOWARD GREEN, ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT MR. HORACIO LAFER, FOREIGN MINISTER OF BRAZIL, AND MRS. LAFER HAVE ACCEPTED THE INVITATION OF THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT TO VISIT OTTAWA IN MARCH.

COMMENTING ON THE FORTHCOMING VISIT, MR. GREEN RECALLED WITH GRATIFICATION THE TRADITIONALLY CLOSE COOPERATION BETWEEN BRAZIL AND CANADA AT THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY. HE SAID THAT HE WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING CONVERSATIONS ON MATTERS OF COMMON INTEREST WITH HIS DISTINGUISHED VISITOR FROM THE LARGEST AND MOST POPULOUS COUNTRY IN LATIN AMERICA, AND ADDED THAT A MOST CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITED MR. AND MRS. LAFER IN OTTAWA.

THE BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER AND HIS PARTY ARE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE FROM BRAZIL ON WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 16, ABOARD A BRAZILIAN AIRCRAFT AND TO STAY IN OTTAWA UNTIL THEIR DEPARTURE FOR THE UNITED STATES ON FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 18.

A PROGRAMME IS BEING PREPARED AND WILL BE ISSUED IN DUE COURSE.