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## QUELLET TO ATTEND NATO MEETINGS IN ISTANBUL

Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet today announced that he will attend the meetings of the North Atlantic Council and the North Atlantic Co-operation Council which will take place on June 9 and 10, 1994, in Istanbul, Turkey.

"These meetings will allow me to reaffirm Canada's strong support for the opening of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) towards Central and Eastern Europe, particularly the Partnership for Peace initiative. I will be telling my colleagues that we must continue to work for actual NATO expansion in the near future," said Mr. Ouellet.

The Istanbul meetings will focus on the Partnership for Peace initiative, relations with Russia, NATO structural and budgetary reforms, non-proliferation issues, and the situation in the former Yugoslavia. Mr. Ouellet indicated that these meetings will also allow ministers to discuss the future evolution of NATO in response to the new challenges facing the organization.

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