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WILSON TO ATTEND OECD MEETING IN PARIS

The Honourable Michael Wilson, Minister of Industry, Science and Technology and Minister for International Trade, will lead the Canadian delegation to the annual meeting of ministers of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), May 18-19. The meeting brings together ministers for Trade, Finance and Foreign Affairs from the twenty-four member countries of the organization.

Discussions will focus on:

- Promoting sustainable growth and social progress in OECD countries, including economic recovery and structural reform, and measures to address unemployment and wider social issues.
- Strengthening the multilateral framework, including the multilateral trading system, the environment and sustainable development.
- The OECD's response to the challenge of a changing world in the developing world, Asia, Latin America and the former socialist countries that are in the process of transition to democracy and a market economy.

The Minister will also hold meetings with a number of his colleagues to discuss ways in which the Uruguay Round can be moved to a successful conclusion.

The OECD brings together in one forum the 24 industrialized democracies of Western Europe, North America and the Pacific region to discuss and identify compatible, mutually supporting and constructive approaches to economic and social issues. Its objectives are to ensure non-inflationary sustainable economic growth and employment, and rising standards of living for OECD populations and those of the international community as a whole.

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