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OUELLET PRESENTS 1995 AWARD FOR FOREIGN POLICY EXCELLENCE

Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet today presented the 1995 Minister's Award for Foreign Policy Excellence to Ron Cleminson, Senior Advisor (Verification) for his energy, vision and initiative in establishing Canada as a world leader in the field of verification of non-proliferation, arms control and disarmament agreements.

Mr. Cleminson was appointed by the UN to examine confidence-building measures in relation to outer space and to represent Canada on the UN Special Commission (UNSCOM) verifying compliance by Iraq in dismantling its weapons of mass destruction.

"Mr. Cleminson's broad-ranging achievements have given Canada profile, prestige and influence," said Mr. Ouellet. "They have enabled us to contribute in practical and enduring ways to building global and regional security."

Citations for exemplary service in the foreign policy field were presented to Mr. Randle Wilson, Dr. Bruno Wiest, and Mr. Fawad Quraishi.

Randle Wilson, Deputy Director of the Special Trade Policy Division, received his citation for his exceptional contribution to an interdepartmental task force on the reform of agricultural import quotas and the methods of allocation of resultant tariff rate quotas.

Dr. Bruno Wiest, Technology Development Officer in Bonn, was recognized for his efforts to promote Canadian-German co-operation in information technology by helping private sector clients establish major joint business ventures in Germany.

Mr. Fawad Quraishi was cited for his contribution to the development of Canadian foreign policy vis-à-vis Iran, thanks to his expert analysis of developments in that country.

