
Media Advisory

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Media representatives are advised that International Trade Minister Pierre Pettigrew will travel to Belgium on Thursday, January 9. In Brussels, Mr. Pettigrew will have meetings related to investment projects. Following a meeting with the European press, Minister Pettigrew will discuss the Kimberley Process, the evolution of various WTO files, and the Doha Round with Annemie Neyts, the Belgian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, responsible for trade policy. Mr. Pettigrew will then travel to Antwerp, where he will meet with Peter Meeus, Director General of the Diamond High Council, along with representatives of Aber and Rio Tinto, the firms that are developing the Diavik mine project in the Northwest Territories. Mr. Pettigrew will also meet with representatives of BHP Billiton Diamonds, majority owner of the already operational Ekati diamond mine, also in the Northwest Territories.

Event: Meeting with the European press
Date: Thursday, January 9, 2003
Time: 11:45 a.m.
Location: Canadian Mission to the EU
Meeting room, 5th floor
2 de Tervuren Avenue
Brussels, Belgium

Event: Media availability and photo opportunity
Date: Thursday, January 9, 2003
Time: 4:00 p.m.
Location: Diamond High Council
5th floor
22 Hoveniersstraat
Antwerp, Belgium

Canadian journalists who wish to take part in the media availability and photo opportunity at the Diamond High Council but do not have a Belgian press card should contact the Media Relations Office at (613) 995-1874.

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