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TRADE AND INVESTMENT PROMOTION PLANNING SYSTEM

90/91 EXPORT PROMOTION PRIORITIES

Mission: ANKARA

Country: TURKEY

The Mission selected the follwing sectors as priority areas for export promotion activities for the coming fiscal year for the stated reason:

1. DEFENCE PROGRAMS, PRODUCTS, SERV

Within the next five years, Turkey will be procuring a wide variety of new defence equipment, much of which could be supplied from Canada. Among the largest of these are a new low level air defence systems and maritime patrol aircraft.

- 2. ADVANCED TECH. PROD. & SERV Turkey is just beginning to introduce automated systems into banking, business, education and government. There is a diminished, but still very strong, demand for new telecommunications equipment of all types Canada is well known in Turkey in this sector as a reliable supplier of superior goods and services.
- 3. POWER & ENERGY EQUIP. & SERV. Turkey has one of the most comprehensive electric power development programs in the world, with over 100 thermal and hydro-electric stations planned. These, plus upgrading of the power grid, provide opportunities for many Canadian suppliers.

TRANSPORT SYS, EQUIP, COMP, SERV. Canada has established a preeminent position in urban transit in Turkey by being selected to build the Ankara Metro. Almost all of Turkey's major cities will also require mass transit systems. Transportation (including road, rail and air) has been assigned a high priority by the State Planning Organization.

5. MINE, METAL, MINERAL PROD & SRV Foreign firms are being encouraged to apply for exploration permits for gold, silver and other minerals. Turkey's hard coal mines, leadzinc and aluminum smelters are being modernized. There remains a strong demand for base metals, thermal and coking coal.

6. OIL & GAS EQUIPMENT, SERVICES The completion of the gas pipeline from the Bulgarian border to ankara has opened up many opportunities for Canadian suppliers of both goods and services. A new LNG port is also planned. Turkish State Petroleum (TPAO) is eager to enter into joint ventures with Canadian firms.

The most important current Canadian export sectors to this market are (based on actual export sales):

- 1. ADVANCED TECH. PROD. & SERV 2. ADVANCED TECH. PROD. & SERV
- 3. FOREST PRODUCTS, EQUIP, SERVICES

4. TRANSPORT SYS, EQUIP, COMP, SERV.
5. MINE, METAL, MINERAL PROD & SRV
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