

Embossed Stamp to Mark 1986 as the International Year of Peace

The Canada Post Corporation announced on April 10 that an embossed stylized drawing of a dove soaring above Earth will be featured on a stamp to be issued September 16 to mark the United Nations proclamation of 1986 as the International Year of Peace. The Honourable Judge René J. Marin, Chairman of the Board of Canada Post

Corporation, noted that the proclamation "offers not only an occasion for celebration or commemoration, but an opportunity to reflect and act creatively and systematically in fulfilling the purposes of the United Nations."

The stamp design, by Montreal graphic artist Carole Jeghers, shows a white

dovelike bird soaring in outer space, its wings extended towards Earth as if about to embrace the planet.

Ashton-Potter Limited, of Toronto, will print 14 million 34-cent stamps in five-colour lithography plus embossing.

Ambassador for Disarmament Undertakes Cross-Canada Tour

On April 8, the Department of External Affairs issued the following communiqué.

"The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, today announced the details of a cross-Canada tour to be undertaken from April 14 to May 2 by the Ambassador for Disarmament, Mr. Douglas Roche, as part of Canada's International Year of Peace (IYP) programme previously announced by Mr. Clark on March 6.

The Secretary of State for External Affairs announced that Mr. Roche will visit every province in Canada to discuss the question of the relationship between disarmament and development and the International Year of Peace with members of the non-governmental Consultative Group on Disarmament and Arms Control Affairs and with interested Canadians. These consultations are part of Canada's preparations for an international conference on the Relationship between Disarmament and Development, to be held in Paris from July 15 to August 2. Mr. Clark said this major tour will provide the opportunity for a productive exchange of views on these issues between the Government of Canada and interested Canadians.

During the tour, the Ambassador for Disarmament will also speak on the themes of the International Year of Peace at a series of public meetings...."

Royal Canadian Mint Launches \$100 IYP Gold Coin

Mr. Robert J. Huot, Vice-President of Marketing at the Royal Canadian Mint, launched on August 7 the eleventh issue of the Canadian \$100 Gold Commemorative Coin Programme at the American Numismatic Association Annual Conference. The coin commemorates the International Year of Peace and will be available from August 15 to November 30.

The International Year of Peace highlights the broad international agenda that must be advanced as the world continues to evolve into a global community with increasingly close relationships among all people. The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, said that he was "particularly pleased that the Royal Canadian Mint has chosen to commemorate the International Year of Peace with the issue of a new \$100 Gold Coin."

Designed by internationally acclaimed Toronto artist Dora de Pédery-Hunt, the

coin depicts a branch of maple leaves intertwined with a branch of olive leaves, symbols of Canada and peace. The words "Peace"-"Paix" form a circle and are superimposed on the design.

The obverse bears Arnold Machin's effigy of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

The 22 karat gold coin contains one half troy ounce of pure gold. It has a diameter of 27 mm, a thickness of 2.15 mm and weighs 16.965 g.

The mintage has been limited to 100 000 coins worldwide and its selling price has been established at \$325 (CAN) or \$245 (US).

Mail orders should be addressed to the Royal Canadian Mint, P.O. Box 476, Station A, Ottawa, Ontario, K1N 9H3 and will be accepted until November 30, 1986, or until mintage is depleted, whichever comes first. The coin may also be purchased from coin dealers.



