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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Hon. Howard Green, announced today that the Premier of the Eastern Region of Nigeria and a group of his officials will be visiting Ottawa on Wednesday, August 29. The visitors are: Dr. the Hon. M.I. Okpara and his wife; the Hon. G.E. Okeke, Minister of Economic Planning for the Eastern Region of Nigeria; Mr. J.O. Udoji, C.M.G., Chief Secretary to the Premier; Mr. V.U. Anagba and Mr. F.S. Ateli, Premier's Office; and Mr. O. Okoro, Public Relations Officer.

The visiting Nigerians arrived in Edmonton on August 23 to begin a six weeks tour which will also take them to the United States, Mexico and Jamaica. While in Canada they will have discussions concerning economic and technical assistance and the possibilities of private investment in industry in the Eastern Region of Nigeria. In Ottawa they will call on the Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Minister of Trade and Commerce, the Chairman of the National Energy Board, the Director General of the External Aid Office, and will have meetings with senior Government officials.

The visitors will be guests of honour at a Government dinner, with the Hon. Howard Green as host.

In Edmonton they were entertained by the Hon. J. Percy Page, Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta. After visits to Calgary and Banff they will be visiting Toronto to-day. From Ottawa the visitors will go to Kingston for one day, after which they will remain in the Montreal area until their departure on September 4.