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J.P. PERREAUŁ FOUNDATION TO TOUR EUROPE

Minister of Foreign Affairs André Ouellet announced today that the Jean-Pierre Perreault Foundation would be receiving a grant of \$80 000 to perform its spectacle *LA VITA* in more than 10 European cities from July to October 1994. The tour will take the company to the prestigious Edinburgh Festival in Scotland, the well-known Contemporary Dance Festival in Châteauvallon, France, and to the Eindhoven Festival in the Netherlands. The company will also visit Bordeaux, Brussels, Turnhout, Arnhem, Amsterdam and Aarhus, among other cities.

"I am pleased to see the growing popularity of Canadian dance on the stages of the world. Tours like this one help to promote Canada's cultural identity abroad and to confirm our country's great artistic reputation," said Mr. Ouellet.

The cheque was given to the J.P. Perreault Foundation by Mr. Nick Discepola, Member of Parliament for Vaudreuil and President of the Québec caucus, at a performance of *JOE*, the well-known choreographic work by Mr. Perreault, a Montrealer, staged in the Maisonneuve Theatre in Montreal's Place des Arts.

Funding for the initiative was provided for in the February 1994 federal budget and is therefore built into the existing financial framework.

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