

A number of initiatives are already under negotiation between Canadian and Zimbabwean organizations aimed at furthering our exchanges. Among these, the Canadian Exporters Association recently opened an office in Harare with the assistance of the Canadian International Development Agency. The mandate of that office is to promote and develop industrial cooperation and joint venture projects. "We applaud the recent measures announced by the Government of Zimbabwe to foster domestic and foreign investment in Zimbabwe. These measures will be a positive contribution to the development of our commercial and economic relations" concluded Madame Landry.

"I am very happy with the outcome of this first meeting of the Joint Economic Commission which constitutes an important step in the strengthening of our bilateral relations" added Minister Crosbie.

Mr. Jack Shields, Member of Parliament for the riding of Athabasca and Parliamentary Secretary to the Honourable John Crosbie, Minister for International Trade, also met the Zimbabwean delegation which was led by the Minister of Trade and Commerce, Mr. Oliver Munyaradzi.

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