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“Of all the revolutions that have taken place during the Twentieth Century, there is none that will have a more lasting impact on the course of human history than the current revolution in information and communications technology.

While events in the former Soviet Union, in South Africa, in the Middle East, in Latin America, and in the Far East, will undoubtedly provide a better future for billions of the world's inhabitants, the latest innovations in micro-chips, fibre optics, the Internet and dozens of other technological structures and applications, will have as much impact or more on every individual on this planet - (and perhaps beyond!). ”

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE DEPARTMENT'S PRESENCE AT TECHNOLOGY IN GOVERNMENT WEEK, PLEASE SEE PANORAMA, SEPTEMBER 30, 1996, NUMBER 40.

- GORDON S. SMITH
DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
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SPECIAL PRESENTATION, TECHNOLOGY IN
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Mr. Smith's speech can be found on the Intranet (Information by Responsible Unit, Communications, Statements) and on the Internet under News Releases, Statements and Publications (Statements and Speeches). It is recommended reading for all employees, as it sets

out the direction the Department is taking in response to the changing global environment, with the support of IMT tools and services. In his address, Mr. Smith also identifies what effect this will continue to have on how you work.