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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1956

THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT MR.

L.D. WILGRESS, CANADIAN PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CANADA TO THE

NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL AND THE ORGANIZATION FOR EUROPEAN ECONOMIC

CO-OPERATION IN PARIS, IS LEADING THE CANADIAN DELEGATION TO THE

ELEVENTH SESSION OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES TO THE GENERAL AGREE
MENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE, WHICH OPENED ON OCTOBER 10TH IN GENEVA.

MR. A.B. HOCKIN, OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, IS VICE-CHAIRMAN

OF THE CANADIAN DELEGATION. OTHER OFFICIALS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS

OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, NATIONAL REVENUE, TRADE AND COMMERCE AND

FINANCE ARE ALSO ATTENDING THIS MEETING.

THE ELEVENTH SESSION OF THE CONTRACTING PARTIES OF GATT IS
ONE OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS SESSIONS WHICH TAKE PLACE PERIODICALLY
TO ADMINISTER THE AGREEMENT, TO CONSIDER COMPLAINTS, AND TO
SEEK SOLUTIONS TO PARTICULAR POINTS OF DIFFICULTY.