The concert in London will be broadcast by the BBC in its series of "Henry Wood Promenade Concerts" known worldwide as "The Proms". The Symphony's stops in Denmark, Finland and Sweden represent the first appearance of a major Canadian cultural organization in the Nordic countries.

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The Minister takes great pleasure in congratulating the Symphony for the world-class reputation it has obtained under the gifted leadership of its Music Director, Andrew Davis.

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