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CANADIAN DELEGATION TO THE CANONIZATION CEREMONIES OF MOTHER MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS ROME, OCTOBER 31

The Honourable Allan J. MacEachen, Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs, announced today that the Canadian Government will be represented at the canonization ceremonies of Mother Marguerite Bourgeoys to be held in Rome on October 31 by the following official delegation:

- The Honourable Pierre Bussières, Minister of National Revenue Head of the Delegation
- Mr. Yvon Beaulne, Ambassador to the Holy See
- The Honourable James McGrath, Member of the House of Commons representing St. John's East, Newfoundland
- The Honourable Pauline Marois, Minister of State for the Status of Women of Quebec
- Mr. Jean Martucci, Delegate of Quebec in Milan
- Mr. Claude Ryan, Member of Quebec's National Assembly, representing Argenteuil
- Miss Justine Sentenne, Alderman for Notre-Dame-de-Grâces, City of Montreal

Mother Marguerite Bourgeoys was born in Troyes, France on April 17, 1620, she died and was buried in Montreal, on January 12, 1700. She was beatified on November 12, 1950. Mother Marguerite Bourgeoys will be the first Canadian woman to be canonized.