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## QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT OF EXPORT PROMOTION PROGRAM AT MISSIONS ABROAD FOR FISCAL YEAR 88 FORECAST OF KEY ACTIVITIES AND ANTICIPATED RESULTS STATED IN MISSION'S ANNUAL PLAN

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PLANNING:

ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

IDENTIFY MEDIUM SIZE ITALIAN FIRMS FOR POSSIBLE TAKE OVER BY CANADIAN COMPANY IN THE INFORMATIC SECTOR.

UTILIZE SPECIALIZED ITALIAN TRADE MAGAZINES TO INTRODUCE NEW CDN PRODUCTS TO A WIDE CROSS SECTION OF ITALIAN INDUSTRY. IDENTIFY 3 TO 4 KEY PUBLICATIONS FOR TARGETED ADVERTISING.

IDENTIFY KEY PROCUREMENT CONTACTS IN MAJOR ITALIAN PRIVATE SECTOR FIRMS (E.G. 5000 EMPLOYEES OR MORE) FOR DIRECT REFERENCE TO CANADIAN SUPPLIERS.

IDENTIFY KEY PROCUREMENT CONTACTS IN MAJOR ITALIAN COMPANIES (ITALTEL & TELETTRA) RE THEIR REQUIREMENTS IN PABX COMPONENTS. BUSES & FIBER OPTICS & RELAY TO CANADIAN SUPPLIERS.

PREPARE REPORT ON FIBER OPTICS INTEGRATION INTO THE ITALIAN COMMUNICATION NETWORK.

PREPARE LIST OF KEY CORPORATE BUYERS IN MAJOR ITALIAN ELECTRONIC FIRMS (E.G. OLIVETTI/SGS)RE REFERENCE TO CDN SUPPLIERS WHO SHOULD PURSUE CONTACTS AND SET UP INCOMING VISITS.

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

ACQUISITION OF THE ITALIAN FIRM BY MAJOR CDN INFORMATIC COMPANY WISHING TO EXPAND INTO ITALIAN MARKET.

INCREASED ITALIAN AWARENESS OF CANADIAN STATE OF THE ART MANUFACTURING.

INCREASED AWARENESS AND INCREASED EXPORT SALES.

DEVELOP EXPORT SALES FOR QUALIFIED CANADIAN FIRMS (PRESENTLY NEGLIGIBLE).

ANTICIPATE MARKETING VISIT BY CANADIAN MANU-FACTURERS.

INCREASED AWARENESS OF CDA'S SUPPLY CAPABILI-TY FOR ADVANCED ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS.

TRACKING: ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTER: 1 EXPAND NETWORK OF ITALIAN REPS/DISTRIBUTORS FOLLOW UP PROJECTS INITIATED IN PREVIOUS QUARTERS. VISIT FAIRS/EXHIBITIONS IN PRIORITY SECTOR.

QUARTER: 2 ----

QUARTER: 3 Follow up to Cdn participation in SMAU, visit major trade fairs in territory which are primary source of market info.

QUARTER: 4 a)Support and assist in organization of visits & activities of Cdn coys on MINT mission to Milan; b) Visit various trade fairs such as USA Hi-Tech, ICO Graphics, TAU Expo; and Seminar.

QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

3 NEW AGENCY/BUYING CONNECTIONS ESTABLISHED. OLIVETTI LIKELY WILL REPRESENT LOGO WRITER LAP TOP UNITS OF STM ORDERED BY ASEM, FOURMASTER (ITAL) TO REPRESENT DIDAK, FED. TRADE MAY REPRE-SENT ULTRALASERTECH. VISITED DIDATTICA

Most exhibitors expect significant sales and/or appointment of an agent over next 12 mths or otherwise come out with good understanding of lo cal informatics mkt. BIMU, SICUREZZA & Nuove Technologie fair visits unveiled ongoing jv disc.

a) Three Cdn mission members established high level contacts with major Italian firms. b) Made new contacts with potential agents or partners in Italy for Cdn coys.