The Minister was also able to add to the growing support for Montreal as the venue for the upcoming MTN round by securing official support for the Canadian bid from President Suharto of Indonesia, Prime Minister Mahathir of Malaysia and Prime Minister Prem of Thailand.

Commenting on the result of his around-the-world mission the Minister said, "I am extremely pleased at what we were able to accomplish on this trip. I believe the Canadian businessmen who accompanied me would agree".

Minister Kelleher flies back to Ottawa on Saturday.