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ERIK NIELSEN ATTENDS OPENING OF GRANTLEY ADAMS AIRPORT, BARBADOS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Flora MacDonald, announces that Erik Nielsen, Minister of Public Works, will represent Canada at the official opening of the new Grantley Adams Airport in Bridgetown, Barbados on November 29, 1979.

The development of the new airport terminal has been Canada's largest aid project in Barbados and a major project in the Caribbean as a whole. A \$10 million loan and \$230,000 in grant funds have been provided to cover advisory services by the Department of Transport and the off-shore costs of design and construction, involving the architectural, engineering and project management services of International Airport Consultants of Montreal and a large number of Canadian contractors and supplies. Overall planning of the \$24 million facility has been the responsibility of the Government of Barbados.

The new airport represents an important contribution to the development of air transport services in Barbados which will have a significant effect on the economic development of Barbados.