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NATO SECRETARY-GENERAL WÖRNER TO VISIT CANADA

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, today announced that the Secretary-General of NATO, Dr. Manfred Wörner, will conduct a working visit to Ottawa, October 7-8.

"NATO is a political alliance based on the common values of democracy, human rights and the rule of law," said Mrs. McDougall. "It has played and must continue to play a central role, particularly in encouraging these values to take root in the Soviet Union and in Central and Eastern Europe. I will be discussing with Dr. Wörner the evolving security environment in Europe, including developments in the Soviet Union and the very troubling events in Yuqoslavia."

The visit will provide an occasion for Dr. Wörner to consult with the Canadian government in advance of the NATO Summit in Rome, November 7-8.

While in Ottawa, Dr. Wörner will meet with the Prime Minister, the Right Honourable Brian Mulroney, and the Defence Minister, the Honourable Marcel Masse.

On Tuesday, October 8, Dr. Wörner will be the guest speaker at a dinner for alumni of the NATO Defence College.

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