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Media Availability prior to Minister Day Visit to Japan and China

The Honourable Stockwell Day, Minister of International Trade and Minister for the Asia-Pacific Gateway, will travel to Japan and China from April 8 to 17, 2009. Minister Day will showcase Canada as an engaged partner, important investment destination and supplier of high-quality goods and services. The visit will help open doors for Canadian businesses in a number of sectors, including energy-efficient construction, technology and transportation.

In Japan, Minister Day will promote Canada's Asia-Pacific Gateway to officials and business representatives. In China, he will work to advance key negotiations aimed at increasing two-way investment and expanding cooperation in science and technology. He will also visit Beichuan, an area hard-hit by the May 2008 earthquake in Sichuan province. Canada was a major foreign donor to Sichuan earthquake relief.

Minister Day will hold a media conference call before his trip on Tuesday, April 7, 2009. Canadian media representatives wishing to participate in the call are asked to contact the International Trade Media Relations Office at 613-996-2000 to obtain the call-in number and passcode.

Event:Conference call with members of the Canadian mediaDate:Tuesday, April 7, 2009Time:3:00 p.m. EDT

For more information, please contact:



