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OUELLET ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS TO THE IDRC BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet today announced four new appointments to the Board of Governors of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC). The appointees are: José Joaquín Brunner, the Minister of the President's Office in Chile; Jon Grant, consultant and former President and Chief Executive Officer of the Quaker Oats Company; Miguel Hurtado de la Madrid, a former President of Mexico (1982-88); and Dr. Ivy F. Matsepe-Casaburri, Chairperson of the South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC).

Mr. Ouellet also announced the reappointment of two other governors, Dr. Joan E. Foley, a professor of Psychology at the University of Toronto and Dr. Vulimiri Ramalingaswami, a medical pathologist and Professor Emeritus at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences.

IDRC is a public corporation created by the Parliament of Canada in 1970 to help developing countries find their own solutions to development problems through research.

The Centre is directed by a 21-member Board of Governors who are appointed for four-year terms. The Board is international, consisting of 11 Canadian members and 10 non-Canadian members. Members of the Board are selected based on their experience in the field of international development and their interest in the developing regions of the world.

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Biographical information is attached.

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