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TALLOW CONTRACT FOR ALGERIA AWARDED TO ALEX COUTURE, INC.

On behalf of the Honourable Edward C. Lumley, Minister of Trade, Gaston Gourde, M.P. for Lévis announced today the successful conclusion of a \$950,000 (US) contract for the supply of non-edible tallow to the Government of Algeria. The contract was awarded through Canadian Commercial Corporation to the wholly-owned Canadian firm of Alex Couture, Inc., of Charny, Quebec, for the Office national de commercialisation of the Algerian Ministry of Commerce. Tallow is used primarily in the manufacture of soap.

This represents the second sale of Canadian commodities made to the Algerian government through CCC. The first, awarded in August 1981, was for the supply of Canola, an edible oil extracted from rapeseed, and was valued at \$66 million.

Canadian Commercial Corporation contracts with foreign governments and international agencies on behalf of Canadian suppliers of goods and services. In fiscal year 1980-81, CCC achieved sales of over \$400 million involving 500 Canadian firms and more than 50 foreign customers.

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