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Le Devoir Dec. 11/84 (PC)

Quebec now has Ottawa's encouragement, rather than its criticism, to create its own international links. Treasury Board Minister Robert de Cotret said it is necessary for the federal government to encourage business, non-governmental organizations and provinces to expand their dealings at the international level.

Le Devoir Dec. 13/84 (By Laurent Soumis)

At a summit on Quebec in the World, Minister of International Relations and Commerce, Bernard Landry, said Ottawa gave its encouragement to the creation of a francophone Commonwealth. Landry said he is happy with the federal government's recognition of the legitimacy of Quebec's international actions.

La Presse Sept 25/84 (PC)

Less than 24 hours after being sworn in as Prime Minister, Brian Mulroney sent an important signal to Quebec that he wants to improve relations with that province. Mulroney granted Premier Lévesque permission to visit Shanghai, permission apparently refused by the former government.

Le Devoir Nov. 5/84 (By Jean Chartier)

Quebec's new representative to New York, Rita Dionne Marsolais, expects the climate created by the election of the Conservative government will encourage Americans to invest in Canada and Quebec. The Quebec delegation, which employs 30 people and has been plagued by a high staff turnover, is charged with improving commercial links between New York and Quebec.