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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, announced today that, under the Government's new programme of cultural relations with countries entirely or partially of French expression, the Canada Council has been authorized to undertake the following two projects in the field of the arts:

- (1) the acquisition of three studios at the Cité internationale des \*rts in Paris for the use of Canadian artists of renown;
- (2) the awarding of a \$3500 grant to the Société dramatique de l'Université d'Ottawa to attend the International Festival of university theatre groups to be held in Nancy, France, from April 18 to 26, 1964. This theatre group has been delegated by the Executive Committee of the Association of Canadian University theatre companies to perform Ionesco's work "La cantatrice chauve" at the festival.

It will be recalled that the communiqué issued at the conclusion of the Prime Minister's visit to France January 15-17 noted that the French and Canadian governments had agreed to further the development of cultural exchanges. The

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