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CANADA AND AUSTRIA REACH AIR AGREEMENT

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, and the Minister of Transport, the Honourable Jean Corbeil, today announced that a bilateral air service agreement has been reached between the Governments of Canada and Austria.

The agreement assures access by Canadian carriers to Vienna, via any intermediate points in Europe which Canada might select. For Austria, Montreal and Toronto have been designated as points of destination in Canada.

Air Canada has operated a Toronto-Vienna service for a number of years under a temporary authority granted by the Austrian government. Air Canada and Austrian Airlines now are offering a joint Toronto-Vienna service under the agreement.

Mrs. McDougall indicated that the agreement will further diplomatic and commercial relations with Austria. Mr. Corbeil expressed satisfaction that the agreement would increase travel options between the two countries and improve the prospects for commercial co-operation between Austrian and Canadian airlines.

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