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## CANADA PAVILION AT EXPO '92 IN SEVILLE A GREAT SUCCESS

The Honourable Michael Wilson, Minister of Industry, Science and Technology and Minister for International Trade, today congratulated all those who contributed to the success of the Canada Pavilion at Expo '92 in Seville, Spain, including Commissioner General Luc Lavoie and his staff. The Pavilion closed its doors on October 12, the last day of Expo '92.

"The Canada Pavilion provided a showcase for Canadian technology and talent. The fact that Expo '92 visitors and European media voted it the most popular pavilion is proof of their positive response to Canadian innovation and excellence," said the Minister.

From opening day on April 20, the Canada Pavilion quickly became the number one attraction in Seville, welcoming approximately two million visitors. Many waited as long as seven hours to take in its unique architecture, interactive exhibits and innovative TMAX movie on Canada.

The impressive zinc-clad pavilion will remain after Expo '92 as a permanent structure, thanks to a recent agreement reached between the Canadian government and the Spanish Ministry of Industry, Trade and Tourism.

Expo '92, the largest universal exposition ever held, hosted 111 nations and 30 international and multinational organizations.

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