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PAT CARNEY, MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE,  
TO MEET WITH EUROPEAN COMMUNITY'S  
COMMISSIONER FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS, WILLY DE CLERCQ  
IN BRUSSELS, MAY 11, 1987

The Honourable Pat Carney, Minister for International Trade, will meet with Willy De Clercq, the European Community's Commissioner for External Relations, in Brussels on May 11, 1987.

The two ministers will discuss a wide range of Canada-EC bilateral trade issues and irritants, clearing the way for expanding trade and investment between Canada and the Community. This is the first time that a visit to Brussels by a Canadian trade minister has been devoted exclusively to discussing our trade relations with the Community.

"The EC is a major trade and investment partner with Canada, and this meeting is a public statement of the importance we attach to that relationship. I expect to be discussing with Commissioner De Clercq ways to tap the enormous potential for growth in trade and investment between Canada and the EC," Miss Carney said.

Recent statistics show Canadian exports to the Community are on the rise. Total two-way trade between Canada and the Community was nearly \$21 billion in 1986.

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