

Mr. Regan said "I am very pleased with the signing of these two contracts and optimistic that additional sales will be concluded shortly by Canadian companies in the context of the Atomic Energy of Canada CANDU project in Romania which will provide benefits to Canada in terms of employment in a high technology sector. This project will provide a total of 5,000 person-years of direct employment to the Canadian nuclear manufacturing and consulting engineering industry. Romania's choice of the CANDU technology is a further recognition of Canada as a leader in the nuclear energy field. This project will further enhance our commercial and economic relations with Romania which is an important trade partner for Canada."

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