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**CLARK TO ATTEND MEETING OF
NATO FOREIGN MINISTERS,
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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today announced that he will attend a meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Foreign Ministers on December 17 and 18, in Brussels, Belgium.

"The Cold War truly ended in Paris on November 19 when members of NATO and the Warsaw Pact signed the Declaration of Non-Aggression and the Treaty on Conventional Forces in Europe," stated Mr. Clark. "NATO was central to this process of change and will continue to play an essential role in ensuring stability and prosperity in the new Europe."

Mr. Clark will pursue the commitments made in London in July when NATO leaders endorsed new directions for the Alliance. Canada attaches high priority to expanding the political dimension of NATO and to developing co-operation with the countries of Central and Eastern Europe. Mr. Clark will also review the situation in the Gulf with other Ministers.

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