

The Department of External Affairs announced today the forthcoming visit to Canada of a delegation in the field of education from the People's Republic of China. The delegation will be made up of senior university administrators, professors and officials of the Chinese Ministry of Education led by Huang Hsin-pai, Vice-Chairman of the Revolutionary Committee of Peking University.

The delegation's visit follows a visit to the People's Republic of China in July 1974 by Canadian university presidents led by Chief Justice Nemetz, Chancellor of the University of British Columbia. The delegation will arrive in Canada on October 8 and stay until October 23, visiting a number of universities from coast to coast in Ottawa, Vancouver, Toronto, Halifax and Montreal to familiarize itself with the Canadian system of higher education.

This is the first time Canada has been visited by an educational delegation from the People's Republic of China. It forms part of the programme of exchanges of delegations agreed upon by the two countries during Prime Minister Trudeau's visit to China in the autumn of 1973.