The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Hon. Mitchell Sharp, will leave Ottawa May 24 to lead the Canadian Delegation to the annual spring meeting of NATO foreign ministers which will take place in Rome May 26 and 27.

Following the Rome meeting, Mr. Sharp will make official visits to Yugoslavia, Romania and Ireland. His visit to Yugoslavia, May 28 to June 1, will be at the invitation of the State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Mirko Tepavac. He will visit Romania June 1 to 3 at the invitation of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Romania, Corneliu Manescu. On the invitation of the Minister of External Affairs of Ireland, Dr. Patrick Hillary, Mr. Sharp will pay an official visit to Ireland, arriving late June 3 and departing for Canada on the morning of June 5. During these visits, Mr. Sharp will have exchanges of views on subjects of mutual interest and concern. He will be accompanied by officials of the Department of External Affairs.

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