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## MINISTER CARNEY TO PARTICIPATE IN QUADRILATERAL TRADE MINISTERS MEETING IN PORTUGAL

The Honourable Pat Carney, Minister for International Trade, will participate in a Quadrilateral Trade Ministers meeting in Sintra, Portugal, September 4-7.

The meeting will be hosted by the European Communities Commissioner, Mr. Willy de Clercq. Other participants will be the United States Trade Representative, Mr. Clayton Yeutter, and Mr. O. Tamura, Minister for International Trade and Industry of Japan. It will be the second meeting this year of the Ministers responsible for trade of the Quadrilateral group, which includes Canada, the European Community, Japan and the United States. The previous meeting was held in San Diego (California) at the beginning of January.

This Quadrilateral Meeting will be the first one attended by Miss Carney. "I am looking forward to meeting my counterparts from Japan and the EC for the first time and to meet again with Mr. Yeutter of the U.S.A", she said. "I expect to review with them the international trading situation and to exchange views on the coming GATT Ministerial Meeting at Punta del Este, Uruguay, that will officially launch the new round of the multilateral trade negotiations. Trade plays a vital role in the Canadian economy and, as a member of the Quadrilateral group, it is important that Canada play its part in strengthening the multilateral trade system.

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