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PASSPORT FEE INCREASE

The Department of External Affairs announced today an increase in the fee for a Canadian passport to \$25.00 to become effective January 1, 1988.

The Passport Office is a financially self-sustaining operation dependent on fee revenue to maintain the service of issuing passports to the travelling public. The fee was last increased in November 1982. In the intervening five year period, the cost of producing a passport in terms of material and labour has risen substantially.

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