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TO CANADA OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE
REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF GUINEA

At the invitation of Their Excellencies the Governor General of Canada and Mrs. Schreyer, His Excellency the President of the Revolutionary People's Republic of Guinea and Mrs Touré visited Canada from October 30 to November 6, 1982.

The presidential couple was accompanied by a large ministerial delegation.

During his visit to Canada, the Head of State of the Revolutionary People's Republic of Guinea had talks with various Canadian personalities. Mr. Touré talked mainly with His Excellency the Governor General and with the Right Honourable Pierre Elliott Trudeau. This interview was followed by a working session with several ministers in attendance. The presidential couple was then received in Toronto by the Honourable John B. Aird, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario. A large luncheon meeting was organized by the Canadian Export Association. President and Mrs. Touré visited the Alcan facilities at Arvida, the Quebec Energy Research Institute in Varennes and the facilities of Bombardier Ltd. in Montreal. Under the auspices of the Montreal Chamber of Commerce, the morning of November 4 was dedicated to an economic seminar on Guinea, led by President Touré. During the evening the Premier of Quebec and Mrs. Lévesque received the Presidential couple and their delegation in Quebec City.

This first visit of the Guinean President to Canada marked a new and significant phase in relations between Guinea and Canada. The furthering of political relations brought about by the visit was a logical sequel to the excellent economic relations that have existed for many years. It is natural for two countries both having French as an official language to intensify their relations at all levels and in all fields.